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## SHOCKING FLYING TRAGEDIES.

### MISSING PLANE FOUND IN DESERT WASTES.

### ITALIAN AIR MAIL CRASH OFF TURKISH COAST.

### NO TRACE DISCOVERED

Paris, Dec. 26.  
The mystery of the French aeroplane which disappeared after taking off from Tunis for Benghazi, has been cleared up by the discovery of the machine in remote country on the coast of Tripoli.

The machine evidently got out of control and crashed heavily. Searchers for the missing airmen sighted the wreckage of a plane from the air and investigation showed that it was the machine for which they were searching. All three occupants were dead, and there is reason for believing that they were killed instantly.

The dead airmen are M. Lasalle, M. Robert and M. Faltot, none of them being very well known.

They took off from Le Bourget aerodrome about twelve days ago on a flight to Saigon. They made excellent progress arriving at Tunis in a nonstop flight on the 14th. They took off the following morning early for Benghazi, and have been missing ever since. The British, Libyan and Egyptian authorities have been co-operating with the French Government in the hunt for the machine, exhaustive searches having been carried out for more than a week.

—Reuter.

### Another Tragedy.

### Athens, Dec. 26.

An Italian mail-carrying seaplane, with a crew of five, crashed during a storm near the small island of Steustrotas, off the Turkish coast.

A Greek cruiser, the "Helle," was in the vicinity at the time of the crash and she was despatched to the rescue, but no trace was discovered of the machine or its occupants, and it is feared that all aboard have lost their lives.

—Reuter.

### Terrible Experience.

### Rangoon, Dec. 26.

In a telegram describing the accident to his aeroplane almost on the last lap of the long trip from Paris to Saigon, Le Brix states that he and Rossi were flying at a height of at least two thousand metres, over 6,000 feet, in the Moulmein Valley.

At midnight they found themselves in the clouds with mountains all round them. They quickly realised that the danger was extreme and this was enhanced when they found themselves being forced down to earth.

It was impossible for them to turn back so they flew in circles for an hour.

### Light Gives Out.

### Eventually the lighting on board their craft gave out, further complicating matters.

During the whole period of this rather scary experience, a heavy storm was blowing and the machine was frightfully buffeted.

Finally they decided to jump clear of the machine in their parachutes in order to avoid striking the mountains and running the risk of a fatal crash.

### Rossi's Accident.

Rossi's parachute was damp and worked badly and he landed on his back. He was delirious and in great pain for some hours till the assistance of natives was forthcoming. The natives carried him to their village and soon afterwards medical aid arrived.

### It is probable, says Le Brix, that his colleague will be laid up in hospital for six weeks.

Le Brix himself escaped unscathed from the mishap. Their aeroplane which flew some little distance after they had abandoned her, crashed and was destroyed.

—Reuter.

## LAICHIKOK PRISON ESCAPE.

### SHORT-TERM MAN SUCCEEDS IN GETTING AWAY.

### IS STILL AT LARGE.

Local prison authorities are making extensive enquiries into the whereabouts of a Chinese prisoner who escaped from the Laichikok Gaol some days ago, and who is still at large.

As is known, Laichikok Gaol is utilised for the accommodation of short-term prisoners, and the man who escaped was doing a sentence of three months' hard labour for "larceny from the person."

It appears that the prisoner was one of a party working in the gardens situated below the prison on a piece of low-lying ground fairly close to the main road. Prisoners so employed are in charge of guards, but in this instance it seems that the man somehow managed to elude his watchers and disappeared.

When the disappearance of the prisoner became known, special search parties were sent out, but without result, although the locality was very thoroughly combed.

On enquiry from Mr. J. W. Franks, Prison Superintendent, this morning, we were informed that the prisoner escaped on Saturday, and that the exact circumstances under which he managed to get away are still being investigated.

So far as can be gathered, no one actually witnessed the escape of the man, who is still at large.

## POLAR EXPLORER'S LAPSE.

### DR. COOK APPLYING FOR PRISON RELEASE.

### New York, Dec. 26.

It is learned from Leisenworth, Kansas, that an application by Dr. Cook, the well-known Polar explorer, for his release on parole from his sentence of fourteen years' imprisonment for conspiracy to use the mails fraudulently, will be heard in January.

Dr. Cook has served one third of his sentence and will, therefore, be eligible for release on parole if he can produce a record of good behaviour while in prison.

—Reuter's American Service.

## CHRISTMAS MORN OUTRAGE.

### CHILD SEES HER MOTHER KIDNAPPED.

Despite the fact that they did not use arms, threats or make any assault, four men succeeded in kidnapping a woman and stealing jewellery valued at \$54 from a residence in Chan Chuk Wan, New Territory, in the early hours of Christmas morning.

They entered the residence of Chung Sze, aged 47, and carried her off before the eyes of her little daughter, Pang Fui, aged 13, and also decamped with a certain amount of jewellery. They made their escape by boat.

## GOVERNOR'S COMING DEPARTURE.

### FAREWELL RECEPTION AT GOVERNMENT HOUSE.

His Excellency the Governor and Lady Clementi will hold a farewell reception at Government House on Tuesday, 28th January, at 9.30 p.m.

No individual invitations will be issued, but His Excellency and Lady Clementi will be glad to see their friends of all communities.

### Those intending to be present are requested to send in their names to the Aide-de-Camp before-hand.

## FAIR WEATHER.

The Royal Observatory reports that an anticyclone has formed over S.E. Mongolia. Moderate monsoon along the S.E. coast of China and over the China Sea. The forecast till noon to-morrow is:—N.E. Winds, moderate; fair.

## SHIP'S TERRIBLE EXPERIENCE.

### B. AND S. BOAT 5 1/2 DAYS ON 18-HOUR TRIP.

### PROPELLOR SHAFT DAMAGED IN HEIGHT OF GALE.

### OFFICERS' HEROISM.

Smothered in ice from stem to stern, with a blinding snow storm raging, a terrific north-easterly gale of violence seldom encountered even in the notorious Gulf of Pechili, taking seas over the funnel and rolling and pitching to an alarming extent, the China Navigation Company's s.s. Fengtien had a terrible experience on her last trip from Tientsin to Shanghai. After 25 years on the Tientsin-Shanghai run, she encountered the worst trip in her career and in the career of all on board.

The vessel was 132 hours—5 1/2 days—at sea between Tongku and Chefoo. The ordinary run is 18 hours.

Her propeller shaft was fractured. This was due to the racing of the engines caused by the propeller being constantly out of water. With engineers in the narrow space in the propeller tunnel, frantically carrying out repairs, the vessel drifted and drifted.

The passengers—26 in all—cannot say enough in appreciation of the work done by the officers, engineers, and crew in bringing the ship to safety.

Never before in the history of British companies has a ship taken 5 1/2 days to make Chefoo harbour from Tongku.

### Food Given Out.

Passengers and crew were given biscuits in lieu of bread during the last day on the voyage. There was no more bread and very little food of any description. No one could have anticipated such an adventure.

The ship was simply smothered in one of the worst storms ever met with off the coasts of China. When bearings were at last possible—the captain found his charge north of Port Arthur, miles and miles off his course, blown by the gale which nothing could resist.

Forced to Heave to.

The Fengtien left Tongku at 7 p.m. on Thursday, December 12. A heavy sea was running and half a gale blowing. Such conditions are not uncommon in this run. A few hours out mountainous seas were encountered and the gale increased in fury. Speed was reduced to four knots and the vessel battled against the heavy odds. Capt. Byrne decided at 9 o'clock on Friday morning—December 13—that he must heave to and ride the mountainous waves. This manoeuvre was successfully accomplished and the ship bravely carried out the intentions of her master.

The propeller was constantly out of water and at 4 a.m. on Saturday morning after a terrible night during which sleep was impossible, the engineer on watch noticed that something was wrong with the propeller shaft. He notified the chief and an inspection was made, and they carried on. At 9.32, the worst came. Bolts connecting the junctions of the shaft were broken and the engines worked without effect on the propeller.

### Splendid Repair Work.

The 2nd engineer, Mr. W. J. G. Jones, and the 3rd engineer, Mr. R. L. Sweet, entered the tunnel in which is the shaft. The ship was pitching, tossing, and rolling and shipping seas all over. They got spare bolts and after a terrific encounter, during which sledge hammers had to be used to drive the repair bolts into place, the engines were again able to function. Two men had to hold the engineers up so that they could wield their hammers. Thrown from side to side of the tunnel and in a crouching position they eventually conquered, but not until they were exhausted and bruised.

Meanwhile, officers were reassuring the passengers, all of whom behaved splendidly in spite of their terrifying surroundings. They were not advised of the extremely serious trouble down below, but were told that "it is more comfortable to ride at anchor in such circumstances." The ladies knew nothing of it.

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## THE MACAO YACHT RACE.

### "NORSEMAN" EASILY COMES IN FIRST.

### NAVAL MEN WINNERS.

After an eventful journey, the Norseman was the first yacht to cross the finishing line at the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club this morning at 12.37.04 on the conclusion of the annual race to Macao and back. The Queen Bee finished about 40 minutes later and the Curlew secured third place.

Those aboard the winning yacht were Lieut. Commander L. G. Addington, R.N., Pay Lieut. Commander D. M. Pasmore, R.N., and Lieut. Commander E. E. Hill, R.N.

Speaking to a Telegraph representative, Lieut. Commander Addington stated that they took the passage South of Lantau at the start yesterday morning, together with the Queen Bee and the Curlew. They lost sight of the Chilkoot just above Cheung Chau Island at about midday yesterday. The Queen Bee and Curlew drew ahead of the Norseman at about 1.30 p.m. All three yachts had a fair wind which held all the way down to the mark boat at Macao which was rounded first by the Queen Bee and Curlew, at about 6.20 p.m., the Norseman getting round later.

The Queen Bee and Curlew kept their lead, but the Norseman overtook the Curlew at eight o'clock last night with the Queen Bee about two miles ahead. At about this time the wind dropped and the Norseman was becalmed until 3.30 this morning. At 9.30 last night, the Norseman was hailed by the Coquette which had come north of Lantau and was still on the outward journey.

At about 3.30 this morning, the wind freshened and at daylight the Norseman's crew sighted the Queen Bee about two miles to leeward away from Capsulim. At a quarter to nine the wind settled, became favourable and lasted until the finishing line was crossed.

Lieut. Commander Addington said that they did not see any of the other yachts taking part in the race.

There are ten competitors, so that seven had still to finish at 11.15 to-day.

## INDIAN CONGRESS DECISIONS.

### CAN'T PARTICIPATE IN THE COMING CONFERENCE.

### BOYCOTT DISCUSSED.

### Lahore, Dec. 26.

The Executive Committee of the Indian National Congress has decided that Gandhi's resolution defining Swaraj as complete independence, etc., when submitted to the Congress-to-day shall begin by expressing appreciation of the efforts of the Viceroy towards a peaceful settlement, but regretting that the Congress is unable, in the present circumstances, to be represented at the proposed Round Table Conference.

The Committee discussed the resolution for four hours to-day. No delegate opposed the boycott of the Councils, but some urged that the boycott should include the Law Courts and schools.

## MEXICAN LEADER IN WASHINGTON.

### ELABORATE WELCOME BY U. S. OFFICIALS.

### Washington, Dec. 26.

Senor Ortiz Rubio, the President-Elect of Mexico, was accorded a most elaborate welcome by the U. S. Government on his arrival here to-day.

The ceremonies included a personal welcome at the station by Mr. H. L. Stimson, the Secretary of State, and Mrs. Stimson, and an exchange of calls between President Hoover and Senor Rubio.

—Reuter's American Service.

## BLACK MONDAY IN SHANGHAI.

### HEAVY LOSSES BY SHAREBROKERS.

### ENORMOUS SUMS QUOTED AS TURN-OVER.

### FRENZIED TIMES.

Shanghai, Dec. 23.  
At midnight last night the Settlement was still in complete confusion. Members were suspended, having paid 42 per cent, 40 per cent, and 35 per cent, respectively. An extraordinary general meeting of the members of the Exchange will be held on December 31, when resolutions will be put to the meeting in connexion with defaulters and it will then be decided whether anything further can be done to assist matters.

It was estimated by some brokers last evening that cheques to the value of Tls. 30,000,000 had already changed hands. Other brokers mentioned Tls. 22,000,000. The gross turnover of shares was placed at Tls. 100,000,000. How far these figures are correct it is impossible to say and we set them out as given to the writer.

### Disclosures Expected.

ACTIONS have already been commenced in the law courts and yesterday morning two preliminary hearings were held in H.M. Supreme Court. We are informed that others are to be filed almost immediately. Disclosures of an alarming nature are forecast at the hearings and facts laid bare which will cause further sensations.

Extraordinary figures were mentioned to the writer by brokers. Clients are alleged to have purchased on margin and, indeed, without margin at all, thousands of shares running into many tens of thousands of taels, people who in fact were known to be unable to meet the situation should a serious drop occur.

### Some Brokers Ruined.

The drop did occur and what happened yesterday is the result. Many clients have had to find money to meet losses which were never expected while others have had to say "I have lost so much and I can't pay. I will give you no more" and the brokers have had to accept. That the brokers have been hard hit is an actual fact. Some, it is believed, are ruined and others are in serious predicaments.

It is generally believed, however, that the repercussions outside the exchange will not be so big as was originally anticipated.

### A Frenzied Day.

Never before in the history of Shanghai has such a scene been witnessed in the Shanghai Stock Exchange. From 8 o'clock yesterday morning until very late brokers were rushing here and there—always careful to pick up their little attaché cases before rushing for in these were scribbles endeavouring to assist in bringing the Settlement to a close. The Hongkong & Shanghai Bank did everything possible to assist in the Settlement and remained open until almost midnight. The Stock Exchange Committees were in the Bank between 6 o'clock and 9 o'clock last night and then returned to the Exchange and announced "carry on with your Settlements."

One broker announced that he had Tls. 300,000 worth of promissory notes which he offered for sale for Tls. 3,000, cash on the spot. Another announced that he had sold out Tls. 300,000 in cash during the day and that he still owed nearly Tls. 450,000. "I am a bankrupt," "I don't know what to do," "My clients have let me down."

### Money and Paper.

These and similar declarations were made in the course of the evening. Practically all brokers have lost heavily and that part of the Settlement which is completed in many instances augmented by promissory notes, and other methods to supplement the cash handed over.

There is no doubt that brokers have suffered heavily and that clients have been unable to pay their losses in full in many instances. Some clients have paid proportionately acceptable sums towards their indebtedness, while, of course, in many instances, clients paid the total amount.

## ANGRY WEATHER IN NORTH SEA.

### SEVERAL CHRISTMAS DAY SHIPPING MISHAPS.

### ELEMENTS COMPETE.

London, Dec. 26.  
The Christmas holiday weather was extraordinarily variable yesterday. The sun came out on several occasions, while sleet and rain both took their turns in the course of the day.

The bad weather was accompanied by very high winds, reaching a ninety-mile an hour hurricane along the coast.

Several shipping mishaps occurred in the Channel, along both the British and French coasts. A number of fishing vessels caught in the storm were cast on the rocks, their crews narrowly escaping a watery grave.

Heavy weather was experienced in the North Sea, but few mishaps occurred. The vessel most severely affected was the Lightship Thelun, which badly buffeted developed a bad leak and suffered other damage.

A new two hundred ton vessel on her way from Newcastle to Rangoon had a bad time in the heavy weather and had to be towed into dock at Dover.

Boxing Day was favoured by warm sunshine and most agreeable outdoor weather, of which holiday-makers took the fullest advantage.—Reuter.

## NOVELIST'S LOSS IN HONGKONG.

### MR. PHILLIPS OPPENHEIM LOSES £30.

The visit to Hongkong of Mr. E. Phillips Oppenheim, the well-known fiction writer, who is amongst those making a world tour on the pleasure yacht Stella Polaris, has been somewhat marred by the loss of a considerable sum of money.

According to a report made to the police by Colonel Wyatt, of Repulse Bay, whilst Mr. Oppenheim was in Pedder Street on Christmas Eve, he discovered that he had lost £30 in English money. The money was contained in an unaddressed envelope which he had in his pocket, but on searching for it, he realised that it was missing.

## THE BLAZE AT THE WHITE HOUSE.

### ATTRIBUTED TO FLUE OVERHEATING.

### Washington, Dec. 26.

The fire which destroyed the Presidential Executive Offices attached to the White House occurred on Christmas Eve.

It is attributed to the overheating of a defective flue.

President Hoover has decided to use as his office, the room in the White House in which President Lincoln signed the Emancipation Proclamation.—Reuter's American Service.

## DE RIVERA VISITING MOROCCO.

### POSSIBLE FRENCH PUNITIVE OPERATIONS.

### Hendaye, Dec. 26.

It is reported from Madrid that the forthcoming visit of General Primo de Rivera, the Spanish Dictator, to Morocco, is due to a French Government that Spain send twenty thousand men to Morocco in connexion with operations contemplated by the French authorities.—Reuter.

### owing-and in other cases clients who had to receive large sums were content to receive a proportion.

The reason of course for this unprecedented situation, is the heavy depreciation in shares—notably cottons and rubbers—but principally the former. Wild speculations in these issues caused record turnovers during the past few months and £200,000 touched Tls. 24 dropped until they were done at Tls. 14 and thereabouts. They now are at Tls. 15.—N. C. Daily News.

## BOXING DAY HOME FOOTBALL.

### SENSATIONAL AWAY VICTORIES.

### SEVERAL COMPLETE FORM REVERSALS.

### THE VILLA'S TRIUMPH.

London, Dec. 26.  
Boxing Day produced the usual crop of surprises in the soccer world. Some of the reversals of form almost bordered on the sensational. Manchester City, for instance, leaders of the First Division and conquerors at Villa Park on Christmas Day, found the tables turned completely at Manchester, Aston Villa winning by two goals to one. Portsmouth, beaten at home yesterday, got the odd goal against the £50,000 Arsenal team in London, while Manchester United gained victory at Birmingham having failed to win before their own supporters.

Sheffield Wednesday, the league champions, again trounced Everton and are now the best-placed team in the division.

### Six Draws in Div. II.

The notable feature of the Second Division struggles was that points were shared in six. West Bromwich "revenge" themselves for their defeat at Millwall, piling up the highest score of the day—6-1—at home. Blackpool, the leaders of the division, fell from grace, Chelsea getting four goals without reply. They still head the league, however. Charlton brought off the best performance of the day, scoring four goals against the Wolves, at Wolverhampton.

The most startling result of the whole list, however, is to be found in the Third Division (South). Bournemouth, who won by 5 goals to one at Gillingham yesterday, and had only been beaten twice this season, lost at home to Gillingham in the return match. Gillingham are second from the bottom of the table.

### Plymouth and the Vale.

Merthyr, the bottom team, defeated Watford at Watford, this being their second win of the season. Bristol Rovers, defeated 6-1 by Fulham on Christmas Day, won by 4-1 against the same team to-day.

Plymouth Argyle amply revenge themselves for their defeat at Coventry, winning the return by three clear goals.

In the Third Division (North) Stockport County again proved too strong for Port Vale, the leaders, who are now only four points ahead. Stockport being three matches in arrears.

The full list of results cabled by Reuter follow:

First Division.		
Arsenal	1	Portsmouth 2
Birmingham	0	Manchester U. 1
Burnley	2	Bolton W. 2
Derby C.	3	Leeds U. 0
Huddersfield	1	Wexham U. 0
Leicester C.	1	Grimsby 2
Liverpool	2	Sheff. U. 0
Manchester C.	1	Aston Villa 2
Middlesbrough	2	Newcastle 2
Wednesday	4	Everton 0
Sunderland	3	Blackburn 1

Second Division.		
Barnsley	1	Notts Forest 1
Bradford	2	Oldham 2
Cardiff C.	1	Exeter C. 1
Chelsea	4	Blackpool 0
Notts County	0	Swansea 0
Preston N.E.	1	Bury 1
Reading	1	Bradford C. 1
Southampton	1	Tottenham 0
Stoke City	3	Hull City 1
West Brom.	6	Millwall 1
Wolves	0	Charlton 4

Third Division (South).		
Bournemouth	1	Gillingham 2
Brighton	2	Brentford 0
Bristol Rovers	4	Fulham 1
Cry. Palace	5	Walsall 1
Exeter City	3	Southend 1
Northampton	4	Leuton 1
Plymouth	3	Coventry 0
Q. P. Rangers	3	Norwich C. 2
Swindon	0	Clapton C. 0
Torquay	3	Newport 2
Watford	2	Merthyr T. 3

Third Division (North).		
Accrington	3	Darlington 1
Chesham	2	Rotherham 1
Doncaster	2	Rochdale 1
Lincoln C.	0	Hallifax 1
N. Brighton	3	Tramers 0
St. Helens	3	Handsworth 5
Stockport	1	Port Vale 1
Wigan Rovers	1	Southport 0
Wrexham	1	Crewe 2
York City	2	Barrow 0

The ground at Carlisle was unsuitable for play and the match between Carlisle and Nelson was postponed.



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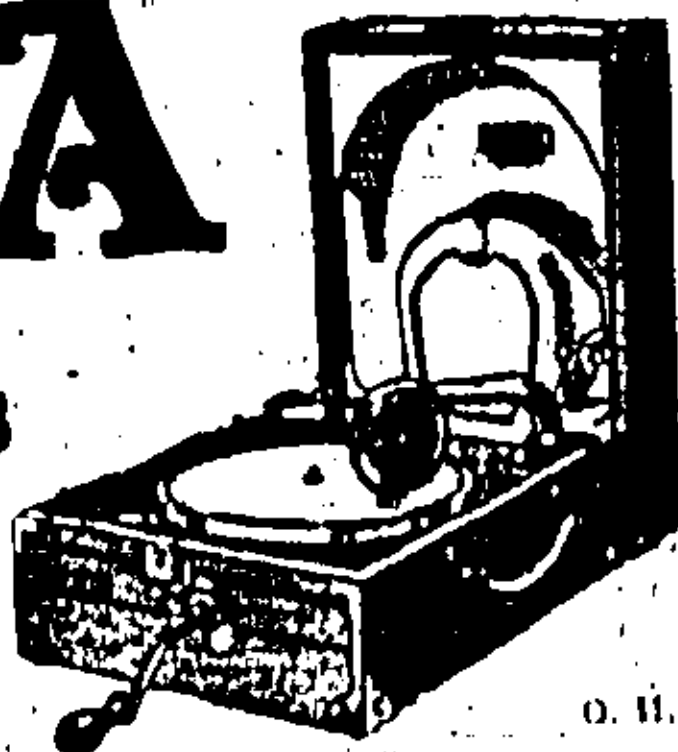
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## FESTIVE SEASON.

### BOXING NIGHT CARNIVAL DANCE.

The big social event of Boxing Night was the roof garden carnival at the Hongkong Hotel. This happy event proved to be a great draw and the handsome little ballroom was booked out long before Christmas. Beautifully decorated and thronged with a well dressed, laughing gathering the ballroom might have been situated in the heart of Paris or London. Among those who entertained parties were:

Messrs. Tang Shui-kin, Lawrence, Wilson, Hin-shing Lo, Ho Kwong, T. K. Yip, W. J. Hawker, Finchen, Miss R. Mowfung, Messrs. H. A. Kelly, J. P. Oldrup, B. Young, P. J. Clancy, J. Brown, Sugarc, Pears, H. S. Cupplingdale, C. J. Roc, N. S. Lim, H. Settle, E. L. Harley, Killbee, G. S. Ford, Chung Ngan-ming, M. D. Lee, E. Hainesworth, W. L. Alexander, A. Eastman, Greenhaigh, Fox, Foralta, Kunishira, Larsen, Howard Johnson, Stone, Castille, Graham, Oxland, Vallanline, Waring, Swan, Barry, Gladstone, and Maitron.

The manager of the Hongkong Hotel, Mr. A. K. Dimond, deserves the greatest credit for the success of the brilliant carnival. He worked untiringly for weeks past to make the Boxing Night event a memorable one.

### Civil Service Party.

Members of the Civil Service Cricket Club and their families spent a happy afternoon yesterday on the occasion of the annual Christmas tree and children's sports. A festive spirit prevailed as the children were set going on different forms of amusement, including a coconut shy and a chute, while the elder folk looked on or sought other diversions, such as dancing on the turf to music supplied by an orchestra.

The Christmas tree was a big affair, burdened with attractive toys, distributed to every child present at the close of the afternoon. Mrs. J. R. Wood, the wife of the President of the Club, who gave away the toys and prizes, was thanked by Mr. W. H. Edmonds and presented with a bouquet.

His Honour Mr. Justice Wood, replying on behalf of his wife, returned thanks for the invitation extended to her to assist Father Christmas in the person of Mr. Millington. He thought they would agree with him that a most successful afternoon had been spent. In this connexion they were indebted to Mrs. Edmonds and Mrs. Hollidge, who took such pains in arranging the Christmas tree, and to Messrs. Grimmit and Deakin, without whose assistance the afternoon would not have been so successful. (Applause.)

Occasion was taken to distribute the prizes to the winners in the Club's games, the list being as follows:

### Tennis.

Championship.—Winner, J. Burrow; runner-up, J. A. Bendall.

Men's Handicap Singles.—Winner, F. W. Bradley; runner-up, H. J. Best.

Men's Handicap Doubles.—Winners, H. J. Best and L. Lockhart; runners-up, S. Randle and L. Luck.

Mixed Doubles.—Winners, Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Bradbury; runners-up, L. Luck and Mrs. Gull.

### Cricket.

Batting.—Winner, G. R. Sayer. Bowling.—Winner, F. Baker.

### Lawn Bowls.

Championship.—Winner, A. W. Grimmit; runner-up, R. T. Taylor.

Singles Handicap.—Winner, T. Armstrong; runner-up, R. T. Taylor.

Doubles Handicap.—Winners, L. R. Want and F. J. Jones; runners-up, R. T. Taylor and E. A. Murphy.

Non-Prize Winners (Handicap).—Winner, F. A. Jones; runner-up, T. Armstrong.

## FAMOUS AUTHOR.

### MR. PHILLIPS OPPENHEIM ON EASTERN TOUR.

Travelling on board the motor yacht Stella Polaris, now in Hongkong, is Mr. E. Phillips Oppenheim, one of the best known and popular of modern authors. Mr. Oppenheim's detective stories command a wide field of readers, while he is also a prolific short story writer.

Chatting to a Press representative, whom he entertained aboard the yacht on Christmas night, Mr. Oppenheim said that he is now in his sixty-second year, and that he commenced writing at the age of nineteen.

"I can best describe it by saying that I caught the writing disease at a very early age," he said. "The first book was commenced in my nineteenth year and published when I was 20. I loved the work, but owing to the exigencies of my father's business, I could not devote myself entirely to it until I was 35. Nevertheless, I wrote in my spare time, making writing my hobby and pleasure, so that when the time came when I could give myself up to it I already had several books published."

### Edgar Wallace's Works.

Naturally, the discussion moved to the subject of detective stories, and Mr. Oppenheim gave some very interesting information regarding the most famous of modern detective story writers, Edgar Wallace.

"A very false impression has been created by the fact that Mr. Wallace publishes so many works," said Mr. Oppenheim. "People talk about a literary shop and accuse him of getting others to write his books for him; but there is no justification whatever for such wild talk. What happened was that for many years Mr. Wallace had not known very great literary success but in that time he had written many books, some of which had been published, but others retained in manuscript form only. When his wave of success, which he thoroughly deserved, came along these works were naturally published, giving the impression that he was writing more than was humanly possible at the time. Mr. Wallace is a very fast writer."

Great admiration for the manner in which Mr. Wallace retained the friendship of police officers of all grades was expressed by his fellow novelist. "Mr. Wallace is 'Edgar' to most policemen than I could possibly count," said Mr. Oppenheim. "He can go to any part of Scotland Yard he likes at any time and be sure of a warm reception. In this way he gets thoroughly to know his policeman and this is reflected in the very natural detectives one finds in his books."

### Works At Sea.

Mr. Oppenheim described pleasure cruises such as that of the Stella Polaris as his recreation. He is a keen traveller and likes to work at sea. In fact, he must do so if he is to keep up with the requirements of his publishers throughout the world.

"I dictate my works to a secretary who has been in my employ for over seven years," said the novelist. "One can think very well on the deck of a steamer on a calm day, and I think that I must have turned out my best work in this way. At present I restrict my output to two novels and a number of short stories a year. Most of these short stories have the same central character running through them and can afterwards be published in volume form. I was, I believe, the first writer to commence this style of work."

One felt a sudden longing for places European when Mr. Oppenheim described the delightful town in the South of France, where he lives in a Colony of famous writing people. Baroness Orczy, Mr. Somerset Maugham and scores of other authors have made their

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"Monte Carlo is the one place in the world which is always interesting," said Mr. Oppenheim. "I never tire of visiting there and watching the people. It is without

doubt the most charming and wonderful place in the world."

Regarding Hongkong, Mr. Oppenheim said that it was one of the few ports on the cruise where he had taken a trip ashore. He found the climate delightful at this season of the year and thought the island one of the loveliest sights by day and night that he has seen. He is looking forward to a tour through the

Chinese quarters, but laughingly insists that he is not looking for copy.

During the chat on deck, Mr. Oppenheim proved that he is no simple tourist. A coolie sold him a number of cane chairs at \$3.50 each and then suggested \$1.50 for the cushions. Mr. Oppenheim named 50 cents as his price, and eventually got his cushions at this figure.

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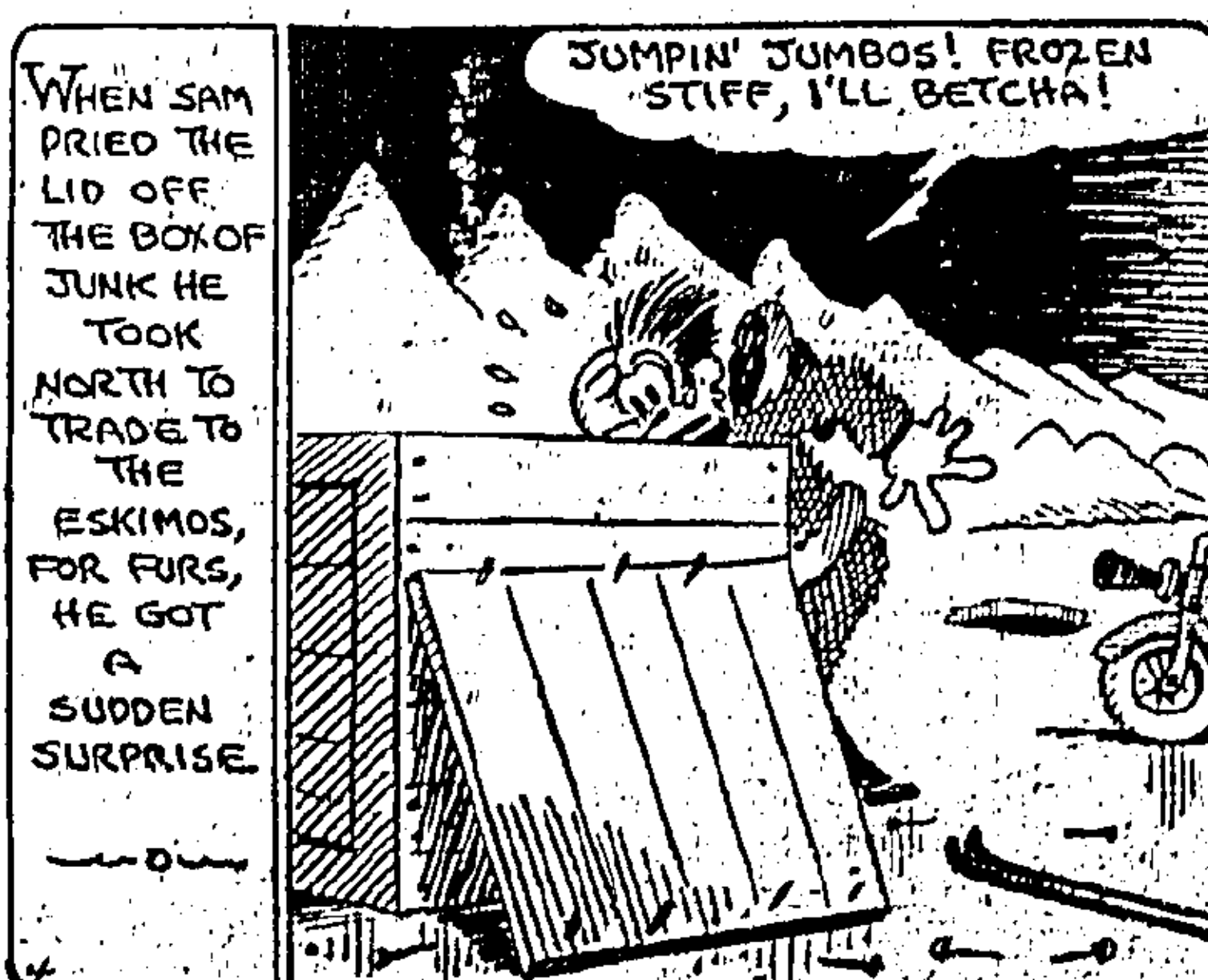
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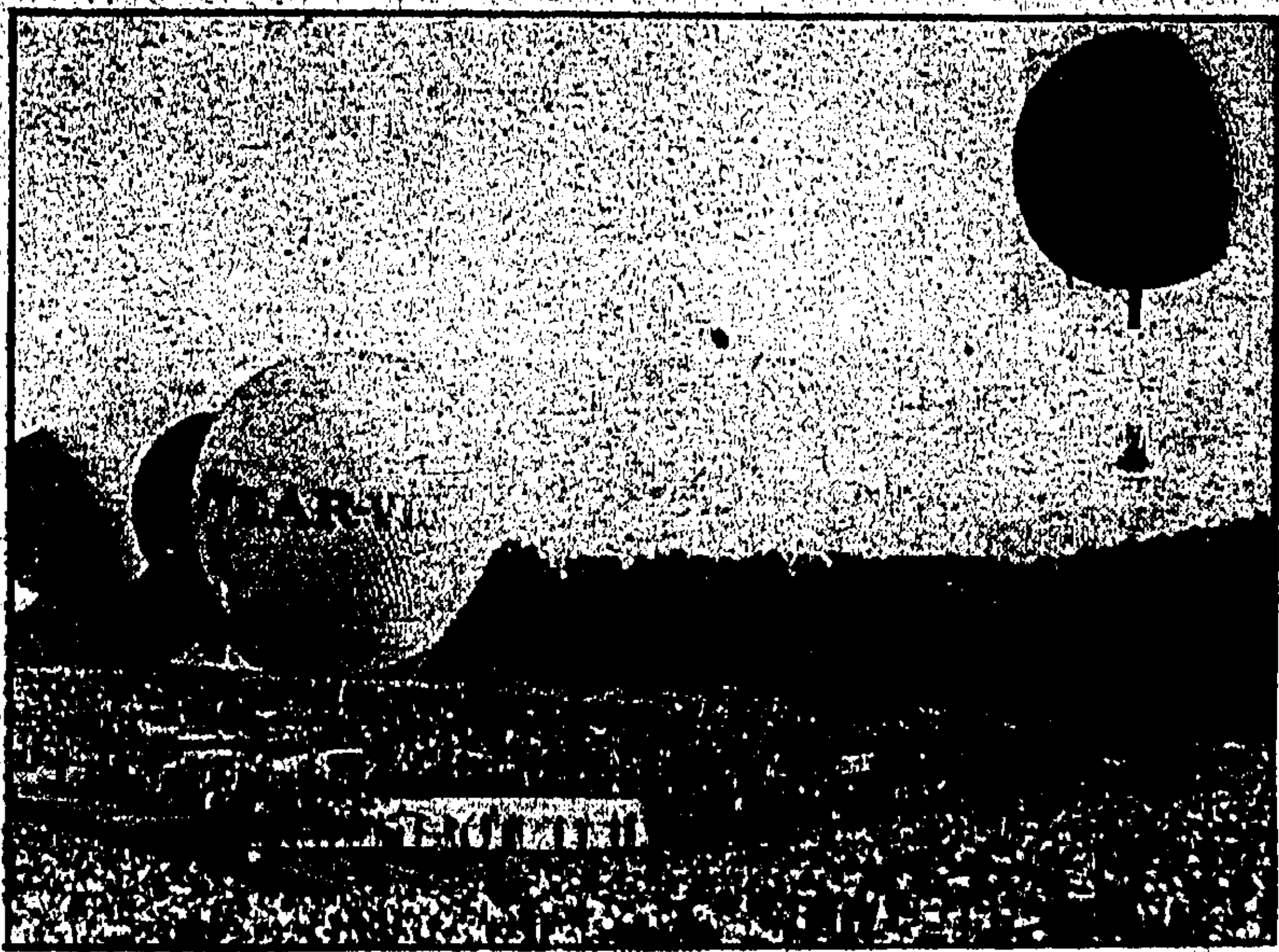
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Our picture shows the start of the Gordon Bennett international balloon race at St. Louis, with the Stadt Esen (at right), a German entry, taking the air as the first of nine competitors. It came down near Catlin, Ill. In the foreground is the Goodyear VIII, which was piloted by Ward T. Van Ormer. It travelled 347 miles.



The Shanghai American School's "goat" which played a prominent part in the gridiron match between the S.A.S. and the Y.M.C.A. recently.



Monsieur le Marquis et Madame la Marquesse de la Falaise de la Coudroy! Gloria Swanson, American film actress, and her titled husband are pictured above in London for the world premiere of her first talking picture. Rumours of a rift in their romance have been denied.



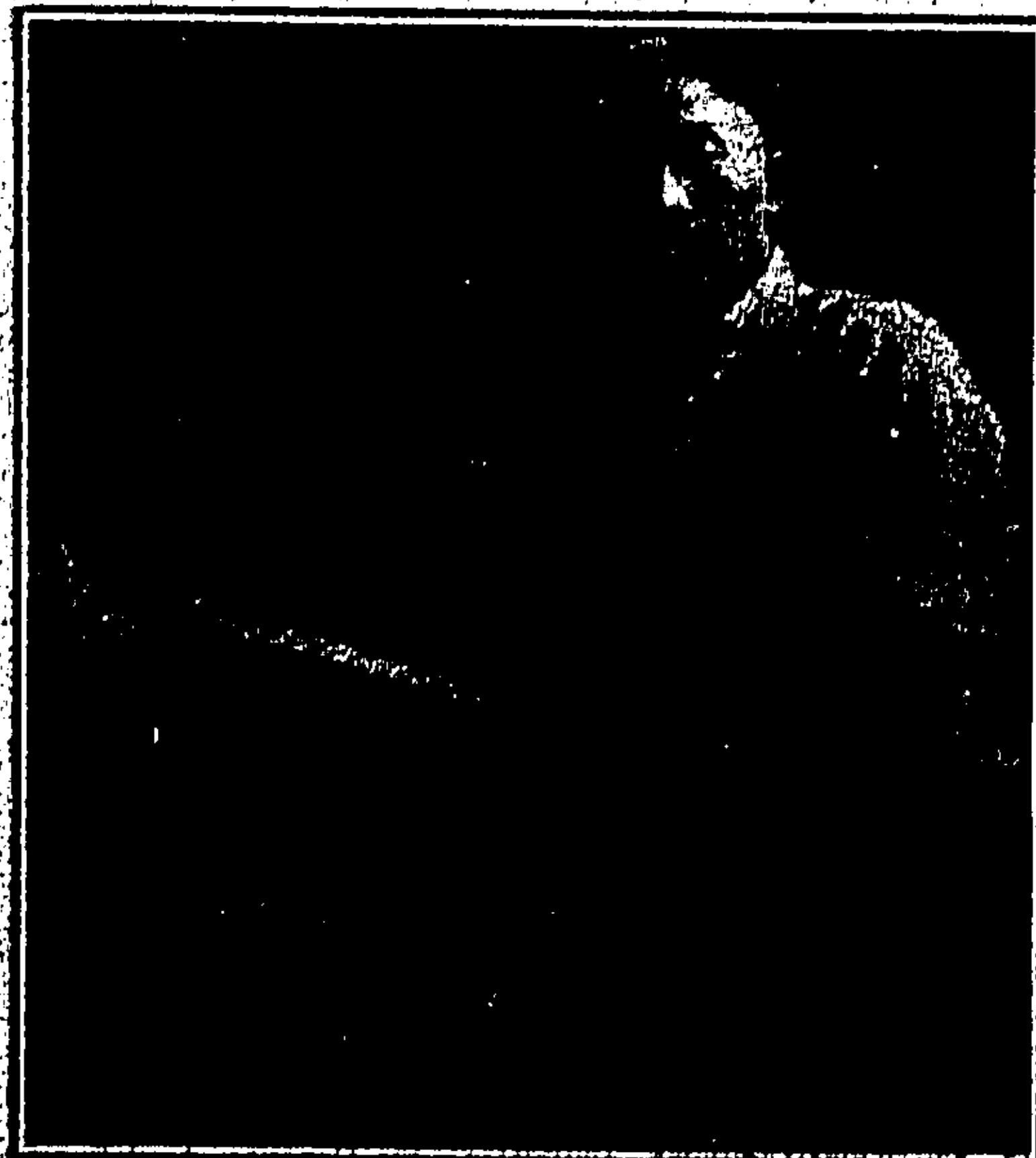
Graceful young dancers in the orchid ballet. Upper row, Eugenie Koob, Wendy Ramsay, Marjorie Striko; centre row, Betty Harrop, Andrea Oorback, Virginia Browning; in front, Joyce Taylor, shown rehearsing for the ballets which will form part of "Little Riding Hood." The pantomime was given during the Christmas holidays at the Capitol Theatre Shanghai.



Beneath the Christmas Tree at the recent sale of work by the Union Church Ladies' Society in Shanghai. This stall, in view of the close proximity of the Christmas festival, was one of the most popular stalls at the sale.



Photo taken in Shanghai after Miss Stella Mon, of Soochow University was married to Mr. Y. O. Huang, a coal architect.

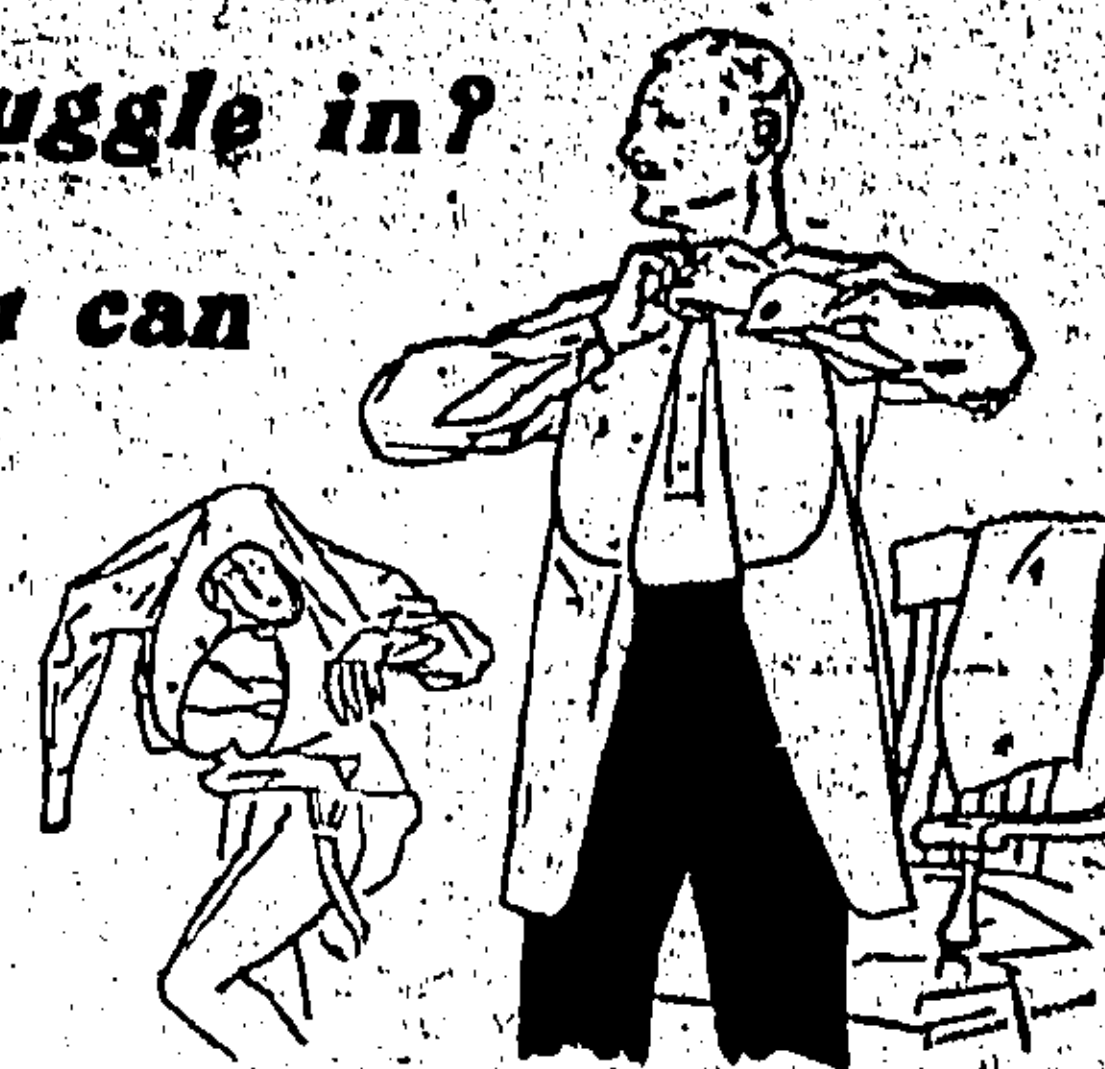


Breakfast? Not necessarily, since this enterprising Waffie Man is "on the job" at all hours.



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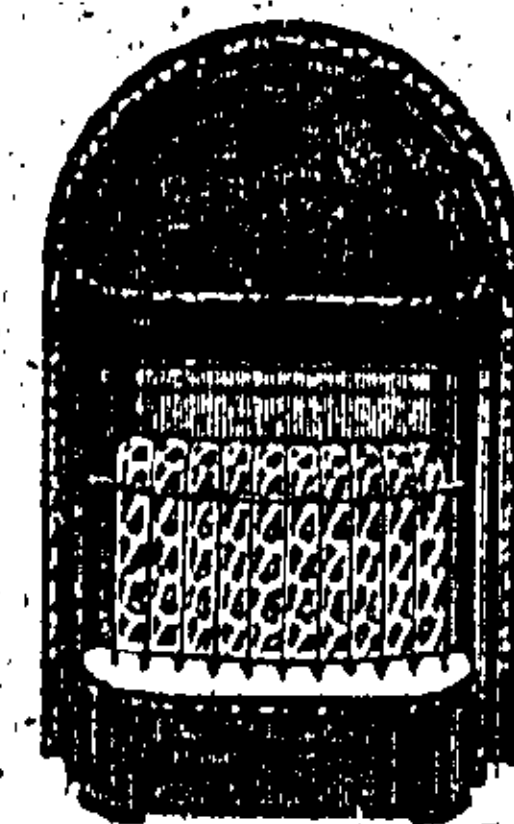
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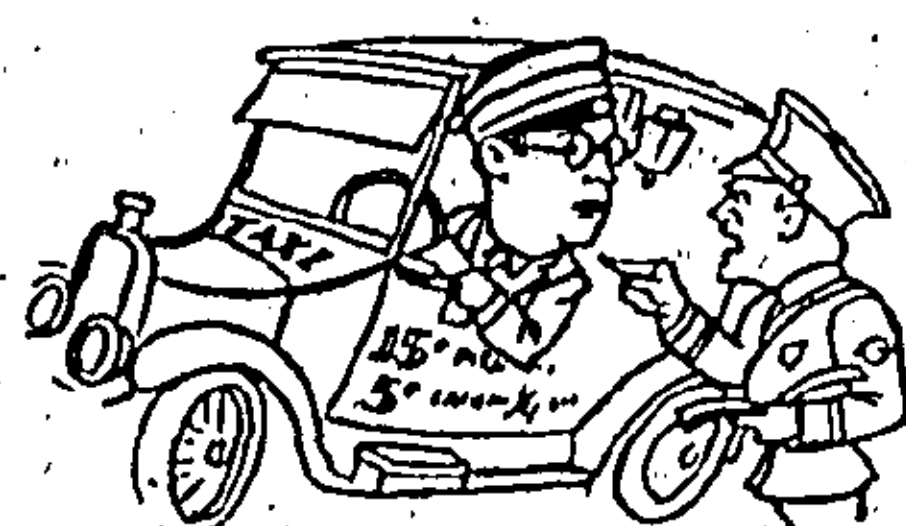
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## ST. GEORGE'S BALL.

6TH JANUARY, 1930.

Members are requested to send in their applications for tickets to the Ball as soon as possible to Mr. S. T. Butlin, Hon. Secretary, c/o Linstead and Davis.

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By mutual consent, we cease to represent Messrs. Huntley & Palmers after December 31st, 1929.

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## FOOCHOW.

## G. R. NOTICE.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on MONDAY, the 30th day of December, 1929, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Cheung Sha Wan, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 24 years less three days.

## PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

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The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,

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The Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon, A Large Quantity of Miscellaneous Goods,

comprising:—  
Fish Manure, Square Iron, Round Iron, Round and Square Bar Ends, Ventilators, Plate Cuttings, Old Wire, Joist, Nails, Angle and Flat Iron, Hoop-iron, Road Ends, Cocoa Beans, Nitrate of Soda, Corrugated Squares, Iron, Shark Fins, Laclogon, Beach de Mer, Oat, Flour, Sulphate of Ammonia, Cement, etc., etc.

Terms:—Cash on Delivery.

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On View from Sunday, the 29th December, 1929.

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## ARMED ROBBERY.

## OLD CHINESE WIDOW DISAPPEARS.

A case of kidnapping and robbery in which an old Chinese widow residing at Saigon Village, New Territories, was victimised, occurred yesterday morning shortly after one o'clock.

It appears that four robbers armed with knives broke into an unnumbered farm-house, the sole occupant being an old woman of about 50. She put up a stubborn resistance, but was overpowered. Some farmers in the neighbourhood heard the cries of the widow, but dared not investigate. In the morning they found that the house was open and all the furniture and belongings in great disorder. The widow was nowhere to be found. The outrage was referred to the police authorities.



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## SHARE PRICES

## TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day:

## Banks.

Hongkong Bank, \$1330 b.  
Chartered Bank, \$184 n.  
Mercantile & B., \$204 n.  
East Asia \$95 b.

## Insurance.

Canton Ins., \$695 b.  
Union Ins., \$360 b.  
North China Ins., Tls. 160 b.  
Yangtze Ins., \$50 n.  
China Underwriters, \$2 n.  
China Firs., \$310 n.  
H. K. Fire Ins., \$315 b.

## Shipping.

Douglas, \$25 n.  
H. K. Steamers, \$271 b.  
H. K. Fug, \$2 a.  
Indo-China, (Def.) \$70 n.  
Union Waterboats \$22 n.

## Mining.

Bongruets, \$4.70 b.  
Kallans, 55 n.  
Langkots, Tls. 13.60 n.  
S'hai Explorations, Tls. 1.30 n.  
Raubs, \$11.20 n.  
Tronchs, 21 n. b.

## Docks, etc.

Kowloon Wharves, \$140 b.  
Whampoa Docks, \$323 b.  
China Providents, \$5.40 b.  
Hongkew, Tls. 190 n.  
New Engineering, Tls. 7.50 n.  
Shanghai Docks, Tls. 95 n.

## Cottons.

Ewo Cottons, Tls. 15 b.  
Orientals, Tls. 2.30 b.  
S'hai Cottons, Tls. 75 (old) b.

## Lands, Hotels, etc.

H. and S. Hotels, \$11.70 b.  
H. K. Lands, \$641 b.  
S'hai Lands, Tls. 161 n.  
Humphreys, \$14.40 b.  
Realities, \$3.40 b.  
Chinese Estates \$98 s.

## Public Utilities.

Tramways, \$18.70 b.  
Peak Trams, (old) \$11.75 n.  
Star Ferries, \$69 n.  
China Lights, (Old) \$17.75 b.  
H. K. Electric, \$661 b.  
Macao Electric, \$23 b.  
Telephones \$8.20 b.  
China Buses, Tls. 151 b.  
Singapore Tractions, 10 n.

## Industrials.

China Sugars, 90 b.  
Malabons, \$27 n.  
Cald. Macg. Ord. Tls. 11 n.  
Canton Ice, \$2.50 n.  
Cements (Comb.) \$13.80 b.  
Ropes \$71 s.  
United Asbestos \$5 b.

## Stores, etc.

Dairy Farms, \$263 b.  
Watsons, \$12 s.  
Der A. Wings, 80 n.  
Lane Crawfords, \$1.85 b.  
Mackintoshes, \$18 b.  
Sinceres, \$12 n.

## Miscellaneous.

Amusements, \$281 s.  
Constructions, \$131 b.  
B'que Ind. G. Bonds, 61%  
H. K. G. Loan 41% s. Prem.

## "DESERT NIGHTS."

## JOHN GILBERT IN A NEW ROLE.

In a vivid story of grim revenge, set amid dark Africa and the sweltering sun-baked fastnesses of its surrounding country, John Gilbert is at the Star Theatre, where his latest Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer starring vehicle, "Desert Nights," opened yesterday. The story is a thrilling one, dramatically and realistically told. Its location is a part of the African desert where men and beasts alike fall within a few hours if they are compelled to go without water. In this dramatic setting the three leading characters play out their absorbing story of hate, revenge and love.

Gilbert is cast as the young manager of a large diamond mine, who is held up by a master crook and his bogus daughter after they have won his confidence. Besides taking a vast amount of diamonds, they make him their prisoner and force him to accompany them as they set out to cross the treacherous desert. Then things happen rapidly. Gilbert brings to this role a dramatic fire never before witnessed in his screen appearances. His characterization is positively thrilling.

Each of the characterizations are sharp and well defined. Mary Nolan plays the girl in a most convincing manner. Her blonde loveliness would be an asset to any production and she also proves herself a capable little actress. Earnest Torrence gives another one of the characterizations for which he is noted. It is finished, impressive and telling in every respect.

## POST OFFICE NOTICE

## RADIO NOTICES.

The Radio Office, where full information concerning all wireless services may be obtained at all times, is situated on the ground floor of the P. and O. Building in Des Voeux Road, next to the General Post Office. Individuals and firms are recommended to register their telegraphic addresses at the Radio Office. No charge is made for this. From 15th December to 5th January inclusive radiotelegrams conveying Christmas and New Year Greetings will be accepted for transmission to Canada and the United States of America. For rates and other particulars apply to the Radio Telegraph Office. Letters and postcards for Europe and the British Isles are forwarded via Siberia if no superscription. The parcel post service to the Province of Kwangsi is resumed and letter mails are again being forwarded by direct steamers.

## INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Date
Europe via Negapatam, (Letters only, London 28th Nov.)	Takada	December 27.
U.S.A., (San Francisco 28th Nov.)	President Garfield	December 28.
Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	Oostkerk	December 28.
Shanghai	Khyber	December 28.
Canada (Victoria B.C. 7th Dec.)	Emp. of Canada	December 29.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	Pres. Madison	December 29.
Manila	Mishima Maru	December 30.
Japan and Shanghai	President Pierce	December 30.
U.S.A., (San Francisco 6th Dec.)	Kumsang	December 31.
Europe via Negapatam, (papers only London 28th November)	Tenyo Maru	December 31.
U.S.A., (San Francisco 4th Dec.)	Rajputana	January 1.
Japan and Shanghai	Nelluru	January 1.
Australia and Manila	Nelluru	January 1.

## OUTWARD MAILS.

Registered and Parcel Mails are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m. registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day.

For	Date and Time
Formosa	City of Durban, Fri., Dec. 27, 3.30 p.m.
Sam Shui and Wuchow	Kong So, Fri., Dec. 27, 4.30 p.m.
Haliphong	Havdroit, Fri., Dec. 27, 5 p.m.
Saigon	Wong Shek Kung, Fri., Dec. 27, 5 p.m.
Haliphong	Havdroit, Fri., Dec. 27, 5 p.m.
Shanghai	Mirzapore, Fri., Dec. 27, 6 p.m.
	Registration, 6 p.m.
	Letters, 6 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Suwa Maru, Sat., Dec. 28, 3.30 p.m.
	K. F. O.
	Registration, Dec. 27, 4.30 p.m.
	Letters, Dec. 28, 9 a.m.
	G. P. O.
	Registration, Dec. 28, 8.45 a.m.
	Letters, Dec. 29, 9.30 a.m.
	(Due Marseilles 26th January).
Manila	Empress of Canada, Sat., Dec. 28, 3.30 p.m.

Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles

Khyber, Sat., Dec. 28, 3.30 p.m.

Parcels, 4.30 p.m.

Registration, 4.30 p.m.

Letters, 4.30 p.m.

G. P. O.

Parcels, 5 p.m.

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Shanghai

Demodocus, Sat., Dec. 28, 5 p.m.

Anhui, Sat., Dec. 28, 5 p.m.

Tourane, Sat., Dec. 28, 5 p.m.

Luchoo, Sun., Dec. 29, 8.30 a.m.

Weihsaiwei, Sun., Dec. 29, 8.30 a.m.

Bangkok via Swatow, Sun., Dec. 29, 9 a.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Formosa, Sun., Dec. 29, 9 a.m.

Straits and Calcutta, Sun., Dec. 30, 1.30 p.m.

Parcels, 1.30 p.m.

Letters, 1.30 p.m.

(Due Marseilles 26th January).

Sandakan, Mon., Dec. 30, 1.30 p.m.

Swatow, Mon., Dec. 30, 1.30 p.m.

Amoy, Mon., Dec. 30, 1.30 p.m.

Tjilarang, Mon., Dec. 30, 1.30 p.m.

Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Canada, Central and South America and Europe via San Francisco

Pres. Madison, Mon., Dec. 30, 3 p.m.

Parcels, 3 p.m.

Registration, 3 p.m.

Letters, 3 p.m.

(Due San Francisco 22nd Jan.)

Shanghai and Europe via Siberia

Pres. Madison, Mon., Dec. 30, 5 p.m.

Registration, 5 p.m.

Letters, 5 p.m.

(Due Victoria B. C. 28th Jan.)

Japan and Canada

Tallhythus, Tues., Dec. 31, 1.30 p.m.

Registration, 1.30 p.m.

Letters, 1.30 p.m.

(Due Victoria B. C. 28th Jan.)

Saigon, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles

D'Artagnan, Tues., Dec. 31, 1 p.m.

Registration, 1 p.m.

Letters, 1 p.m.

G. P. O.

Registration, 1.45 p.m.

Letters, 2.30 p.m.

(Due Marseilles 31st Jan. 1930.)

Hai Ning, Tues., Dec. 31, 2 p.m.

Yat Shing, Tues., Dec. 31, 2 p.m.

Amoy and Japan, Tues., Dec. 31, 5 p.m.

Kum Sang, Tues., Dec. 31, 5 p.m.

Haikang, Fri., Jan. 1, 1 p.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow

Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles





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### VILMA BANKY.

#### METHODS OF MAKING STARS REVEALED.

A special writer for the leading movie magazines gives some intimate facts about the way Samuel Goldwyn grooms stars, dealing more particularly with Vilma Banky, star of his latest production, "This Is Heaven."

It is a proverb in Hollywood that Samuel Goldwyn's judgment of actors and actresses is almost infallible. In Vilma Banky, whose first comedy picture, "This Is Heaven", opened at the Queen's Theatre on Wednesday, there is another example of the skill with which Mr. Goldwyn can pick talent out of a mass of prospects and develop it skillfully until it fulfills all its promise. Miss Banky is entirely a product of Goldwyn training.

He discovered her five years ago when she was an inconspicuous actress in inconspicuous European pictures. She was the only result that year of his annual expeditions to Europe in search of new faces for his productions, having been discovered and marked as likely material when Mr. Goldwyn saw a picture in which she had a small part. In most cases where an actor is brought to Hollywood from abroad, he or she is left to sink or swim in the welter of faces and personalities of the film colony after making a picture or so. But that is not the way Mr. Goldwyn works. Any potential star who has impressed him sufficiently to be worth taking to America is watched carefully. The only time Miss Banky has been allowed to go off the Goldwyn lot in the years she has been making pictures in the States was when she was loaned to Paramount to make two pictures opposite Rudolph Valentino, then the most famous male star in the business.

Steadily rising in popularity, in a series of nine pictures, kept busy but never overworked, Miss Banky has justified the faith which Mr. Goldwyn, known as the keenest mind in filmdom, felt as soon as he had first interviewed her. Her development was parallel to that of Ronald Colman for the earlier part of his career, the two of them becoming known as an historical pair of screen lovers in their series of co-starring pictures, beginning with "The Dark Angel," and going on through "The Winning of Barbara Worth," "The Night of Love," "The Magic Flame" and "Two Lovers." "This Is Heaven," her newest picture, gives her her first straight comedy role and shows her to her public for the first time in the part of a modern American girl.

### OBITUARY.

#### SUDDEN DEATH OF MR. J. W. PRIDEAUX.

We regret to record the death of Mr. J. W. Prideaux, which occurred suddenly early yesterday morning, at his residence in the Railway Villa, Kowloon.

On the previous night, Mr. Prideaux had appeared to be in sound health, and was present at a Christmas entertainment given to a number of friends. He retired to bed at 11 p.m., and was found dead, apparently from heart failure, at 2 o'clock the following morning (yesterday).

The late Mr. Prideaux was employed as an assistant in the Chart Depot, Royal Naval Yard. He was 44 years of age, and is survived, we understand, by a widow and daughter who are at home. His sudden demise has come as a shock to his many friends in Naval Yard circles and elsewhere.

The funeral took place last evening at the Protestant Cemetery, in the presence of a large number of friends, the Rev. Mr. Hewart, Chaplain of the Naval Yard, officiating. In addition to personal tributes, a large number of wreaths were sent by Naval Yard institutions and different messes on board the naval ships.

## WOMAN'S WORLD FOR OUR LADY READERS.



If any doubt exists as to whether or not the very new fashions are being accepted at formal functions—dispel it immediately for it is here to stay, and women "have gone literally mad" about the new vogue. The strongest impression which is gleaned, in the great extent to which the instep and floor lengths have been accepted. Short gowns are demode. No longer are the long-lined straight line models in the running for the feminine elaborateness has taken its place. Which introduces panels, flounce bows and all the dressmakers' ingenious bag of tricks to the formal hour. The result—pronounced fullness and a dressed-up quality.

Naturally, as in street clothes—the princess silhouette reigns supreme, thus the raised waistline, moulded bodice, more often than not belted and sometimes bloused around the top of the hips.

In gowns employing shoulder straps, which generally occur in round or square cut necklines, the straps are jewelled, while some flaunt fabric bows tied on the shoulders. Very popular are flowers which appear on one shoulder, strap effect.

The fact that trains and long irregular hemlines prevail proves conclusively that women have no aversion to dancing in trailing

skirts. Lustrous transparent velvet, taffeta and chiffons find enthusiastic exponents in the younger set, who are selecting with a view to drama, fraternity and sorority dances and other formal.

Winsome Loretta Young, who herself is a student, wears this charming little green transparent velvet frock, featuring princess lines, the uneven hemline, flared and dipping in the back, low décolletage in front and back, topped by a soft cape, cascading down the back. Miss Young can be seen wearing many smart creations in two of her forthcoming First National Vitaphone productions, "Forward Pass" and "Loose Ankles" opposite Douglas Fairbanks, Jr.

Taffeta in pastel shades and black is being worn. Black velvet and gold or silver lame combinations are sophisticated and decorative. Olive Borden, vivacious featured player, wears a gown in a similar class in First National's "Wedding Rings." It sponsors the black velvet skirt, short in front and long in back, and silver

headed satin bodice. The gown is backless, while the silver straps fastened to the skirt are evolved in a criss-cross effect.

Crepes, satins and panne velvet are important. While black is the predominating colour in these fabrics, various shades of green, red, purple, brown and orange vie for laurels.

Among the very striking creations some of the cinema stars brought back from Paris, is a Patou gown of georgette in Patou's new nasturtium middle shade, its simplicity outstanding. For trimming it has two rows of hand scalloping in the same material down the front of the waist, which continues almost half down the skirt, where they edge horizontal pleats across the hips. Beneath these pleats fall two handkerchief ripple panels in front and back. The belt is a solid mass rhinestone embroidery. The evening wrap which completes this ensemble is of soft nasturtium chiffon, wedding-ring velvet trimmed with a double row of brown sable on the shawl collar and wide sable cuffs.

The black satin mode is exemplified in this smart creation worn by the inimitable Billie Dove, in "The Other Tomorrow" for First National Vitaphone. It too stresses the importance of the full skirt, instep length, moulded silhouette and deep décolletage.

first," is their plan.

It is all really a matter of habit. And certainly the tendency to-day is against anything so leisurely as long-sustained listening.

But whether things are as bad as they are reported to be in this connexion, it is difficult to say.

We hear continually about the lost art of conversation, yet I have heard it maintained that there never was an art of conversation to be lost.—H.M. in Exchange.

### An Art.

#### LOST POWERS OF LISTENING

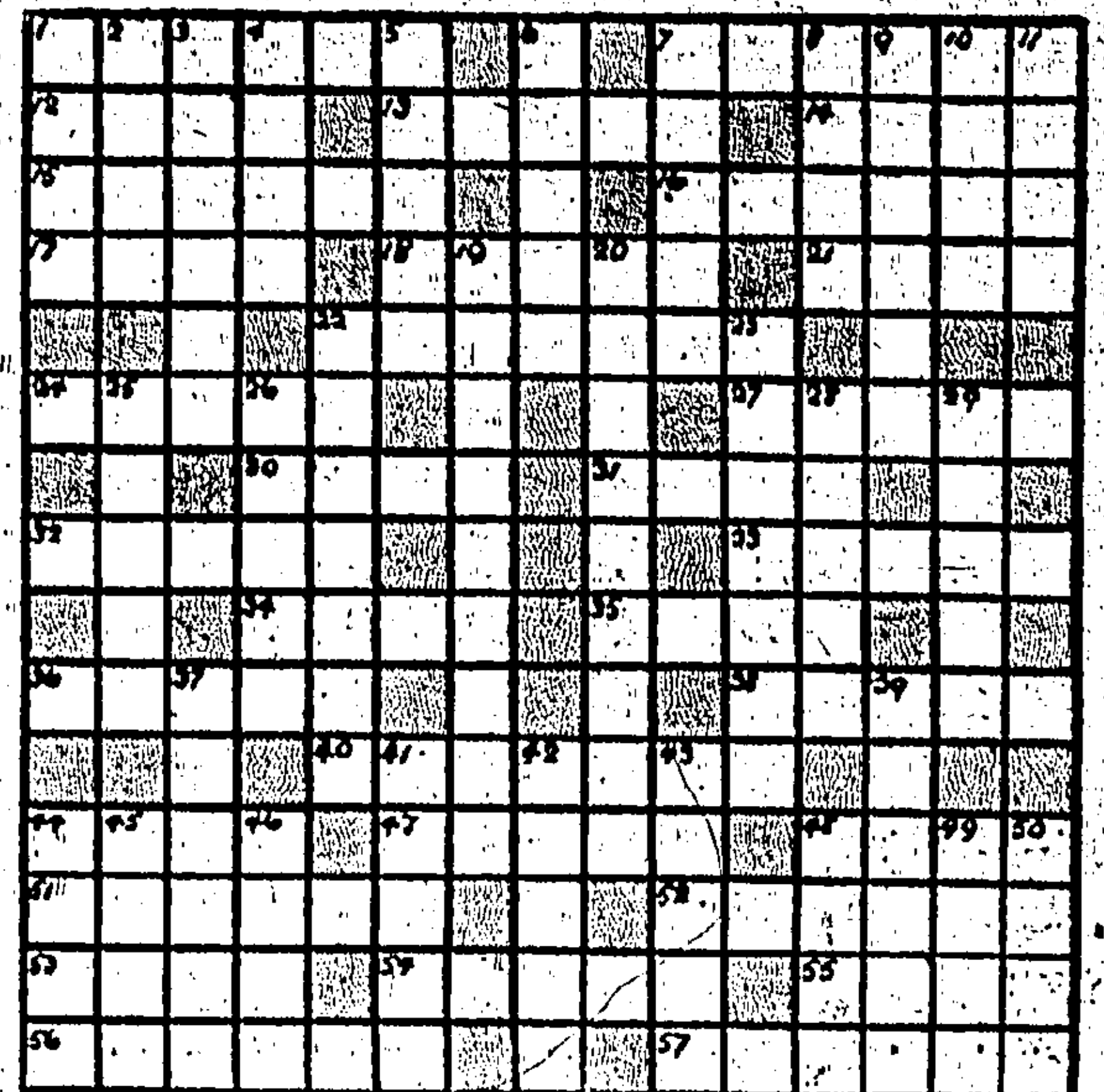
If it is true that, as Dr. Maschfeld stated in Glasgow in his presidential address to the Scottish Association for the Speaking of Verse, recently, the art of listening has declined during the last hundred years, then, it seems to me, that one source to which we may look

for a reviving influence is to be found in broadcasting.

It is true that listening is an art and it is one that needs practice just as any other art does.

There are many people who, not having been accustomed to listen much to the spoken voice, would feel decidedly uneasy if asked suddenly to act upon information or impressions conveyed in a long-continued speech. "Let me see it in black and white

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  - Toil.
  - Bird's covering.
  - Fatty.
  - Star shaped flower.
  - Three.
  - Wealthy.
  - Sweetening.
  - Flat ring of iron.
  - Recline.
  - Dance.
  - Violent attack.
  - Anaesthetic.
  - Scholar.
  - Not that.
  - Get up.
  - Island.
  - Disclose.
  - Playful.
  - Inclosed space.
  - Young owl.
  - Guard.
  - Latterday saint.
  - Measures of weight.

- Down
- Barren.
  - Idler.
  - Insects.
  - Welsh emblem.
  - Conversationalist.
  - Hypocrites.
  - Polecats.
  - Battledore.
  - Bear.
  - Gaze.
  - Turn into a siding.
  - Barrenment.
  - Shudder.
  - Hurry.
  - Claw.
  - Faintly.
  - Etta.
  - Public vehicle.
  - Central personage in play.
  - Join.
  - Compound preposition.
  - Alone.
  - Finishes.

#### Tuesday's Solution.

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E G MERMAID E A  
RENDER E TEMPER

### "THE BLACK WATCH"

MYRNA LOY IN ALL-TALKING  
FILM.

Myrna Loy, who plays the feminine lead in the all-talking "The Black Watch", Fox Film starring Victor McLaglen, is claimed to be one of the most colourful and exotic personalities on the present-day screen.

Her role of "Yasmani" in this pretentious production is easily the most important she has been cast for in her brief but splendidly successful picture career.

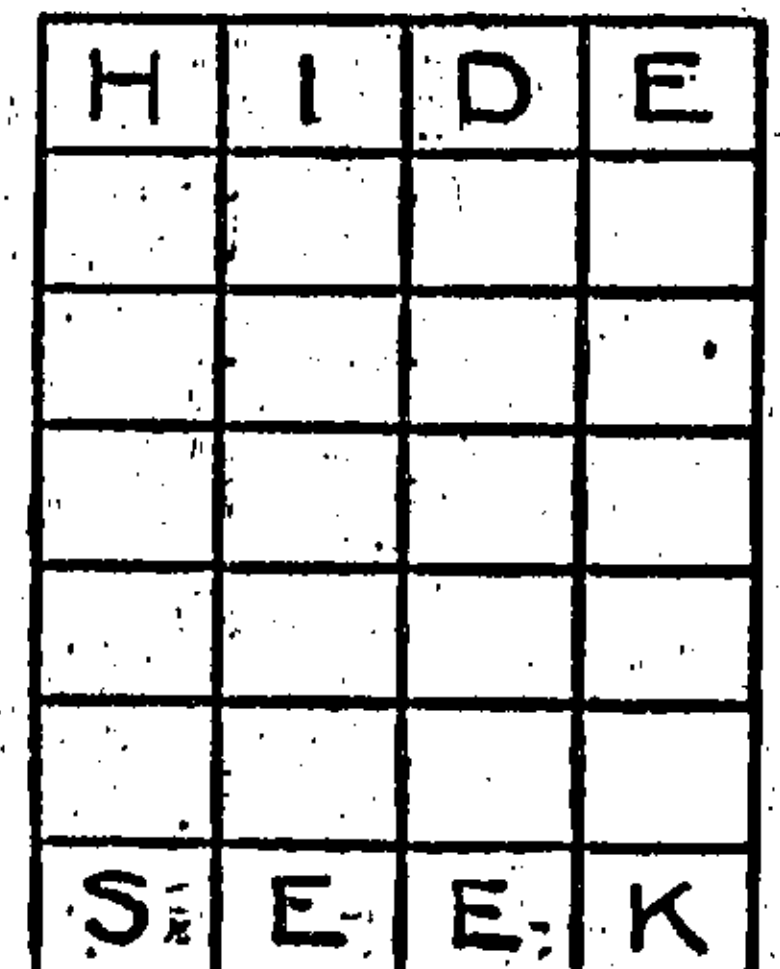
"Yasmani", as created by Talbot Mundy, author of the novel from which the picture is adapted, is a voluptuous figure, exotic, mysterious, a she-devil with whom many men matched wits only to come out second best.

The stellar role, played by McLaglen, is that of "Captain Donald Gordon King", of the famous "Black Watch", the nickname for the 42nd Highlanders.

"The Black Watch", which comes to the Queen's Theatre on Sunday, is expected to prove the greatest directorial triumph of John Ford, the man who produced "The Iron Horse", "Four Sons", "Hangman's House" and "Napoleon's Barber" as well as more than a score of other film successes. The supporting company includes David Rollins, Lumsden Hare, Roy D'Arcy, Mitchell Lewis, Cyril Chadwick and Walter Long. John Stone wrote the scenario.

### LETTER GOLF.

Today's letter golf puzzle has a little HIDE and SEEK mixed up with it just for the exercise.



1.—The idea of letter golf is to change one word to another and do it in par, a given number of strokes. Thus to change COW to HEN, in three strokes, COW, HOW, HEW, HEN.

2.—You can change only one letter at a time.

3.—You must have a complete word, of common usage, for each jump. Slang words and abbreviations don't count.

4.—The order of letters cannot be changed. One solution is printed on another page.

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### BIRTH.

THOMSON.—At Aberdeen on  
December 25th, 1929, to Mr.  
and Mrs. J. D. Thomson, a  
daughter.

The  
Hongkong Telegraph.

FRIDAY DEC. 27, 1929.

### THE WRONG WAY.

The form of government under which Hongkong labours provides so little scope for the effective play of unofficial opinion that we cannot but regret any Government action which seems to treat as of small account the efforts of those who gratuitously give much time and service to work connected with the administrative life of the Colony. For this reason, we find ourselves in general agreement with the attitude taken up by two Unofficial members of the Sanitary Board when they protested, at the last meeting, against the manner in which the Government had turned down the proposal to display at various points in the Colony certain health propaganda posters which had been specially designed for the purpose of stressing the evils of the fly nuisance and of the spitting habit. The Official reaction to this scheme leaves us wondering what the Government's real desires are. It will serve to an understanding of the matter if we recall that in September last, after very full consideration, the whole Board decided to put forward to the Government the proposal to issue these posters. Indeed, the Chairman of the Board himself proposed the motion approving of the experiment being made. It was, moreover, explained, at that meeting, that the Board had sufficient funds in hand for the project, so that there was no question of seeking a special grant. The members of the Board, Official and Unofficial alike, no doubt imagined that the scheme would go through, and that the submitting of the matter to the Government was merely a matter of form. We can, therefore, imagine their surprise when, on Monday last, the Board was orally notified by its Chairman that the Government did not consider the publication of the posters desirable. In the first place, it does strike us as being rather unusual, and somewhat casual, of the Government to make the notification in the manner which it chose to adopt, instead of communicating to the Board in writing the reasons why it had reached its decision to ban the posters. It is true that the Chairman pointed out that officers of the Education Department did not favour the use of the posters in

schools, and that he conveyed an impression that a "good deal of explanation would be needed before the placards could convey the message which they were intended to carry. None the less, we cannot see why the official attitude could not have been less brusquely intimated and some appreciation have been shown of the Board's efforts in the matter. It is pertinent, also, to ask precisely who makes these veto decisions. Is it a case of certain Government departments setting themselves in authority over the Sanitary Board? If so, we heartily agree with the speakers at Monday's meeting that such action reduces the work of the Board to a farce and lowers its prestige and authority.

The only grain of comfort that we can gather from the incident is that the matter may again come forward when a committee of the Board goes into the whole question of health propaganda. All the same, in view of the Government veto on the posters, as at present designed, we can appreciate the viewpoint of the Unofficials when they query the utility of spending more time and thought on the question. Whilst from the strictly constitutional standpoint the Government has the right to turn down Sanitary Board proposals, it would appear reasonable to expect that some measure of faith and confidence should be reposed in members of the Board when they put forward their considered views on a matter of this kind. These men are neither cranks nor fanatics; they have presumably been chosen to serve because they can offer useful advice to the Government. The least they expect, therefore, is some show of co-operation and some trust in their judgment. At times, as in this incident, they appear to get neither the one nor the other.

### Inconsistency?

An undercurrent of ridicule in apparent in the comments of some influential public men and newspapers of Europe upon President Hoover's proposition for freedom of the seas for food ships in time of war. There is an inclination to detect in the suggestion a drifting away from the basic proposition set forth by the Briand-Kellogg pact that there should be no more wars. Europe enquires why it is that, after having invited and secured the adhesion of practically all the nations of the world to a mutual agreement to renounce war as an instrument of national policy, the President of the United States suddenly turns around and offers a suggestion for humanizing the wars which have been renounced. Agreeing heartily with his proposition that the starvation of women and children should be abandoned as a weapon of war, the enquiry is made why all other weapons are not naturally abandoned, since war has been outlawed. Indeed, the President's suggestion, taken with the background afforded by the Briand-Kellogg pact, does lend itself to satire. And yet, it is pointed out by a leading American journal, reason and common sense have their place in the discussion of international relations. The peace pact, to begin with, did not renounce all wars, but, as its foes vigorously pointed out, left loopholes for wars of self-defence, for wars in the fulfilment of commitments to the League of Nations, for wars in support of the Monroe Doctrine. Even had it renounced all wars, it would still need material implementation before that renunciation could be made effective. The pact needs to be supplemented by the creation of courts of arbitration, conciliation and adjudication of international disputes, or by the universal acceptance of already existing courts. It will need, notwithstanding protests of well-meaning sentimentalists, the establishment of some form of international police to enforce the decisions of such courts. All this is yet to be accomplished. The nations of the world may feel that out of the peace pact may in time proceed such an organization of the world for peace that wars will become unknown. But pending the completion of that organization, it is well that subjects which may lead to international disputes should be settled as far as may be by international agreements. If the whole question of neutral trade in time of war could be determined and the method of enforcing that determination established, one potent cause for international dissension would be measurably removed from the field of controversy. Mr. Hoover's proposition does not go as far as to cover the whole question; but it may be the introduction to a more comprehensive plan.

### MUSICAL JOTTINGS.

Some Comments on "The Gelsa"  
The Next Helena May  
Musical.

[BY "ALLEGRO"]

The accounts of "The Gelsa" presented, some amusing differences of opinion which commenced with "E.W.H." and "ACWO" giving the honours of the evening to the men, while the S. C. M. P. critic wrote:—"The ladies, neatly steal the majority of honours and it is they who make the production the success it is." This prompted me to search through the accounts for further contradictions, a few of which are appended:—  
Mimosas.—"Mrs. Bowes Smith somehow reduced this role to the commonplace! (Either because she failed to realize the possibilities or because the part does not really appeal to her)."—ACWO.  
"Seldom has she sung better or acted with such understanding of her role."—S. C. M. P.  
"I am confident the role could not have been found a more capable exponent."—E.W.H.  
"The music is not quite in the compass of her voice and she would be wise to omit the endanzas."—ACWO.  
"Her principal songs were in a lower key than that in which her voice is heard to its best advantage."—E.M.B.  
Molly.—"Lella Clark has a voice much too light for the contralto part of Molly."—ACWO.  
"What is the authority for saying it is a contralto part? Was Lella Lind a contralto, or anything but a delightful dancer?"—E.W.H.  
"She had not the dancing capacity to do more than all the part pleasant."—E.W.H.  
"Her success was much enhanced by the graceful dancing with which she followed up her numbers."—V.H.C.  
"Her dancing did much to contribute to the success of the evening."—E.M.B.  
"She is a dainty dancer."—ACWO.  
Juliette.—"She (Eileen Bellamy) does not make a success of Juliette. She is hardly suitable to be cast for a soubrette part which needs someone of slight build and a dainty dancer."—ACWO.  
"Mrs. Bellamy made a great success of the little French girl."—E.W.H.  
"Mrs. Bellamy had what was, perhaps, her best part as the French girl."—E.M.B.  
"It is the best part we have ever seen her in."—V.H.C.  
Wun Hui.—"Mr. Greensmith... takes liberties with the book... the fewer improvements made in the Owen Hall's work the better the production."—S. C. M. P.  
"His lines are good, his gags even better."—E.M.B.  
"Some of his gags were very witty indeed."—V.H.C.  
"His topical allusions were the hit of the evening."—E.W.H.  
Fairfax.—"He hardly does justice to his songs."—S. C. M. P.  
"He is not quite up to the standard required by his songs."—E.M.B.  
"His singing was excellent."—E.W.H.  
"His voice was very pleasing."—V.H.C.  
"He acts just as well as he sings."—ACWO.  
Marquis Imari.—"It would appear that Mr. Brock felt that his style was somewhat cramped by the limitations of his role."—E.M.B.  
"He takes the principal honours among the male roles."—S. C. M. P.  
"Excellent cast."—S. C. M. P.  
Takemini.—"He sang his little piece excellently."—E.W.H.  
"His excellent operatic efforts in Scene I quite amazed us."—ACWO.  
"The very fact that the operatic recitative was actually emanating from 'George' Maas was quite enough to set the audience laughing."—V.H.C.

Although rather late in the day, I should like to sum up the above by expressing the opinion that all the performers in question made a success of their parts. It was more important that Molly should look a typical young English girl and dance gracefully than that she should lack these qualifications and hold forth like Kirby Lunn. As for Wun Hui's "improvements" on the original, something had to be done about this. The "pidgin English" of the original was ludicrous and much of it could hardly be understood. It was also very deficient in humour and Mr. Greensmith got his best laughs from his own gags. The whole show may be termed a great success and from a financial point of view it should have set the Philharmonic Society on its feet again. This, however, remains to be seen, as the expenses involved in such a well-staged production must have been very heavy.

On the whole the booking was spread out over all the performances far more evenly than usual, but it did not prevent many scores of people leaving it till the last minute and consequently failing to get admission on Monday night. The last night's show was especially successful, but there were many who regretted that the invariable custom of the Philharmonic Society of having bouquets and gifts from well-wishers passed up over footlights was abandoned on this occasion. It is one of the features of a "last night" and the entire audience usually stays to witness it. As it was, the performers found a veritable flower garden behind the stage and had to search diligently

### DAY BY DAY.

WE CAN NEVER REPLACE A FRIEND.  
Schiller.

The P. and O. s.s. Khyber, from Shanghai, is due here at 6 a.m. to-morrow.

The health return for the past three days shows seven Chinese cases of small-pox.

Messrs. Komor & Komor advertise that Mr. Kodaka will extend his exhibition of pearls until the end of the month.

### THE MACAO MILITARY REVOLT.

Pictures in To-morrow's Supplement.

To-morrow's issue of the Telegraph Pictorial Supplement will be more than usually interesting from the fact that it will contain four illustrations dealing with the recent military revolt in Macao. Besides a photograph of Monte Fort, where the mutineers were quartered, there will be street scenes showing a soldier under cover and special police on duty, as well as loyal officers watching developments from a point of vantage.

Other pictures appearing in the supplement will be groups taken at the weddings of Mr. E. J. Hankin and Miss Florence Banks, and of Mr. E. Bougon and Miss M. Hahne-mann, whilst there will also be portraits of Mr. N. J. Ferrin and his bride.

Sporting events illustrated will include the football match between the Army and Navy, as well as the Rugby game between the Club and H.M.S. Cornwall, whilst there will be a group of the Committee of the Kowloon Bowling Green Club, another of the winners of the Inter-Class Football Competition at Queen's College, and a picture of the presentation of prizes at the Yau-mat School sports. There will also be pictures of displays given by the pupils of the Peak School last week.

The s.s. Empress of Canada will sail for Manila at midnight on Sunday, December 29th, instead of at 5 p.m. as advertised.

We have received two useful and artistic wall calendars from Messrs. John I. Thornycroft and Co., Ltd., of Union Building.

No arrests have as yet been effected in connexion with the daring robbery which was perpetrated early yesterday morning at Messrs. J. Ullmann and Company's jewellery store in Chater Road, when a plate glass window was smashed with a hammer and several wristlet watches stolen. The total value of the missing goods is \$356.

through dozens and dozens of baskets and bunches of flowers to make sure they had got everything. As for the gifts wrapped in brown paper, scores of people hunted through piles of them placed on a table in the semi-darkness of a passage. Chocolate boxes went astray. Overlooked packages were taken by friends to the recipients' dressing-rooms. It was all wrong. Even if the handing-up of bouquets etc., is taboo during earlier performances, the "last night" custom should never be abandoned by the Society in fairness, not only to the artists themselves, but to those who have been kind enough to send them gifts.

The next concert at the Helena May Institute will take place on January 9th at 8.30. Mrs. Bowes-Smith will sing Brahms and Russian composers' songs; her husband will play Beethoven and Chopin; and the second half of the programme will be devoted to Grieg's Sonata in C minor for Piano and Violin, in which Major J.P. Macnair will play the violin part. This concert will be the first of the season's series to be broadcast.

A very good batch of Victor records has come to hand. Cortot plays the Children's Corner Suite of Debussy and two of his Preludes on two discs. These are well worth getting. Yehudi Menuhin, the violinist prodigy, gives us an improvisation which reveals a marvellous tone, though the piece is not very interesting. McCormack sings several Schubert songs, for a change, while de Luca and Schipa give excerpts from Rigoleto. Bach-lovers will like the Shepherd's Christmas music played by the Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra. But I do not know how many people will be attracted by a new orchestral work—New Year's Eve in New York. If that is a true impression of the festival in Fifth Avenue, give me Hongkong every time.

## The Very Idea!

Here are three howlers by Matriculation candidates. They are from a Botany paper.

"The stomata is the fruit part of the plant. It is formed of protoplasm."  
"Leaves breathe through their little puwa." (No Scottish candidate could have made this error).  
"The food of a plant consists of mineral waters, starch and salt, all obtained from the soil."

Customer: I say waiter, when am I likely to get that half duck I ordered twenty minutes ago?  
Waiter: When someone orders the other half, sir. We can't go out shootin' half ducks!

[The death-knell of the household butler appears to have been sounded.—Daily paper.]

Old institutions, one by one, Time is for ever scuttling. And now, I read that soon there'll be No pompous males a-buttling. "Slit transept gloria"—some will sigh.

Tradition, sure, will suffer, When butler Perkins is no more. The stately household's buffer, Yet there's an even greater rub, Now Perkins' knell is sounded.

What will our poor, dear play-wrights do? My! Won't they be confounded!

The two little girls sat on a door-step, gravely discussing illnesses.

Not without a touch of superiority, one said, "When my mummy was ill, she had two nurses to look after her."

The other, after a little envious silence, announced triumphantly, "Well, when my big brother was ill we had the air fertilized!"

There is nothing connected with the Press that has ever got me into such great trouble as the urgency of their reports of what I have said.—Lord Derby.

Civilisation and war cannot exist longer in the same world.—Prof. Gilbert Murray.

There is no place like the Old Kent-road for happiness on a Saturday afternoon.—Mr. H. A. L. Fisher.

People will do anything nowadays to save a few minutes; though what they mean to do with those few minutes is quite another question.—Dr. Cyril Norwood.

Candid Friend (to Novelist): I daresay you have made a great deal of money by your books, but you must admit that you have written nothing that will live. Novelist: Possibly not; but when it becomes a question of which shall live, myself or my writings, I never hesitate.

"I wish you would not chatter. No wonder your husband left you."—Mr. Sandbach, K.C., to a voluble woman at Lambeth.

It is a consoling thought that, even if humanity lasts a million years and devotes itself entirely to science and mathematics, there will be plenty of quite simple problems still unsolved.—Mr. J. B. S. Haldane.

Living according to schedule prevents people from taking things as they come.—Viscount Agulla.

If parents would have perfect children they must themselves be perfect people.—Professor Winifred Cullis.

Though I am all against litter outside, you should see my study.—The Rev. S. F. L. Bernays.

There is nothing in the Old or New Testament to suggest that they are to be called the word of God.—Canon T. A. Lacey.

## WHO WAS AKHENATON?

King Akhenaton was one of the first truly civilized men in the world, and by some indeed, has been described as the world's earliest humanitarian.

While men and nations were weltering in chaotic paganism, Akhenaton was the first to perceive the divine order in the universe. Incantations were ascending every day to the deity of the sun, but Akhenaton looked behind the sun and saw God.

As a result of this vision the young idealist strove to discover the workings of the moral law. He said that warfare was a crime and a senseless business, and when his tribes around began an attack on Egypt he refused to offer resistance so that the greater part of his kingdom was swallowed up by howling savages. Akhenaton died in the early twenties, about the year 1350 B.C., but he did not die before leaving the mark of his idealism upon the destiny of mankind.



**MOTOR-CAR THEFT  
EPIDEMIC.****THREE CASES DEALT WITH  
THIS MORNING.****PRISON SENTENCES.**

That thefts of motor cars parts and accessories are becoming thoroughly prevalent in the Colony, and that he intends to take a serious view of such offences and do what he can to suppress this latest form of larceny, was stated by Mr. Hamilton at the Central Magistracy this morning, when he had to deal with three such cases.

Li Yui, aged 23, was charged with the larceny of a motor horn from a private motor car, No. 587, the property of Lo Yu-hang, of 19, Kennedy Road, on December 25, and, further, with receiving the articles and with unlawful possession of certain tools.

Mr. Harry Edward Strange of 127, Wong Nei Chong Road, said that about 4 p.m. on Wednesday he was watching a crowd of Chinese who were sitting on a wall at the rear of his house, intent on a football match, when he noticed the defendant, who appeared to be taking no interest in the game, with a parcel under his arm. Witness became suspicious and when defendant started to walk towards his garage, he went to meet him.

Witness seized hold of defendant, but unfortunately let go, and then asked him what he had in the parcel. The man replied it was something his brother had given him. Witness did not believe him, whereupon the defendant became very annoyed and flung the parcel at Mr. Strange. Luckily, witness caught it and the man turned and ran away. He gave chase, during which he noticed the accused throw another parcel into a garden. He caught the defendant in the Valley close by the Hongkong Football Ground, and handed him over to a Chinese constable.

The defendant denied that he threw the parcel at Mr. Strange. He gave it to him, and Mr. Strange threw it back at him.

The owner of the car said he left the vehicle unattended in Caroline Hill Road between 3 and 5.30 p.m. on December 25, during which time the horn was stolen. He identified the one produced as his.

**Accused Disbelieved.**

Accused said he did not steal the horn. He had been using the tools to repair a motor car and after work he went and watched the football match. He forgot to leave his tools at home before he went out. He obtained the tools from Chan Fau, a foki, who had previously worked with him. He did not know the parcel contained a horn, and he was not running away from Mr. Strange, but to get hold of Chan Fau.

The Magistrate said the man had been found in possession of a stolen horn and had given an absurd story of how he came by it. Thefts from motor cars were becoming very common and he intended to take a serious view of them. The man would be convicted and sentenced to four months' imprisonment.

**Another Case.**

A second case was that in which Chang Ming, aged 44, of no fixed abode, was charged with stealing a wind screen, valued \$30, the property of Yung Sang, of Blisney Villas, Victoria Road, Pokfulam, on December 26th.

The complainant said that about 12.45 p.m. yesterday he brought the car into the garage and later saw the defendant walking away with the wind screen on his shoulders. He shouted to him to put it down, and when he approached, the defendant pretended to be intently examining the goods in the garage.

The defendant told a very long story to the Magistrate, during which he said that he had only been in Hongkong three days, and for two days had done odd jobs at Aberdeen. He was passing the garage at the time when he was looking for a job, and thinking he might obtain one there, he went in and saw a coolie put the wind screen outside of the garage. He did not run away and he did not steal the article. If he had stolen it, he would have run away. He was on the private path at the time because he had only been in Hongkong three days and did not know his way about.

Mr. Hamilton said the man seemed to have been in the Colony three days too many. He would be convicted and sent to prison for four months, with hard labour.

**Overcoat Stolen.**

The third theft from a motor car was disclosed in a case in which a Chinese was charged with stealing an overcoat from a car parked outside the Civil Service Cricket Club.

The coat was identified by Mr. J. Fraser, of the P.W.D., who said that he left it in a car outside the Club. A Chinese constable

**NOTED KWANGSI  
LEADER.****REPORTED DEATH OF GEN.  
WANG SHAO-HUNG.****AN ABLE OFFICIAL.**

General Wang Shao-hung, who is reported to have succumbed to wounds received in the recent fighting between the Cantonese and Kwangsi armies, was one of the best-known military leaders in South China. He was for several years Military Governor of Kwangsi.

General Wang was one of the "Big Four" of the Kwangsi Clique, the others being Marshal Li Chai-sun, General Pei Chung-hai and General Li Chung-yen. It was he who defeated the Ironsides in 1927, driving them from Canton, and as a civil administrator he proved himself to be an able official. In particular, he was primarily responsible for the construction of over 2,000 miles of motor roads in Kwangsi. During his many years as Civil and Military Governor of Kwangsi,



General Wang paid much attention to educational works and was instrumental in the inauguration at Wuchow of the Kwangsi University, for which the Kwangsi Government, when under General Wang's regime, paid as much as one million dollars in 1928 when the university was first opened.

General Wang was very keen on tennis, a game which he often played on his own court at Nanning, the capital of Kwangsi. He also frequently played in Canton.

**BURGLAR JAILED.****BROKE INTO LAICHIKOK  
ROAD PREMISES.**

Sentence of five months' hard labour was imposed on a Chinese by Mr. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning when the man pleaded guilty to a charge of breaking and entering 73, Laichikok Road. He stole a brass cooking pot worth \$10 and a quilt.

The defendant was stated to have climbed over the back wall and after breaking the glass of a window lifted the latch. He took the brass cooking pot and the quilt, the cooking utensil later being handed over to a marine hawk.

The thief was given five months' hard labour while the hawk, who was charged with receiving stolen property, was fined \$50 or one month's hard labour in default.

**TIN AND RUBBER.****THE LATEST DIVIDEND  
ANNOUNCEMENTS.**

Messrs. Carroll Bros. have been advised of the following dividends on rubber and mining shares:

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Tanjong Tin—5% Int.  
Takuapa Valley Tin—3d. per share.

saw the defendant walking down Tin Lok Lane in the direction of the Praya with the overcoat on his arm, and as he approached the man, he ran away; but he later caught him.

The defendant said the constable stopped him outside the Civil Service Club. He had picked the coat off the ground and was just taking it into the Club to give it to a coolie and get a tip.

The Magistrate remarked that in leaving the coat in the unattended car, Mr. Fraser was asking for trouble. Thefts of that nature were becoming thoroughly prevalent and extremely annoying. The man would be sentenced to four months' imprisonment.

**MR. H. R. PHELIPS  
TO RETIRE.****LEAVING FOR HOME VERY  
SHORTLY.****25 YEARS' SERVICE.**

The Colony will learn with regret of the impending retirement of Mr. Hugh Richard Phelps, who has been Auditor to the Hongkong Government since 1904. Mr. Phelps will leave for England on January 4.

Mr. Phelps was well known in the Colony as a tennis player of merit in his younger days, and also took a keen interest in many other forms of sport. He was extremely popular in Government, business, and social circles and his retirement will be keenly felt by a host of friends.

Educated at Weymouth College, and later at Queen's College, Oxford, Mr. Phelps was appointed to the Exchequer and Audit Department in London in April, 1894. In October of that year he was made local auditor to the Niger Coast Protectorate and in December, 1896, became assistant auditor in Uganda. He served in the Uganda Muthy and received a medal and clasp for his services. In April, 1897, Mr. Phelps was appointed local auditor to the East Africa Protectorate.

In 1904, Mr. Phelps was appointed local auditor to the Colony of Hongkong arriving here in December of that year. In 1911, he took over the duties of Hon. Auditor to the Hongkong University in addition.

**21 YEARS AGO.****SOME EXTRACTS FROM THE  
"TELEGRAPH" FILES.**

The following extracts are from the Hongkong Telegraph for week ended December 26th, 1908.

The rate of the dollar on demand was 1s 8½d.

Mr. D. S. Gubbay was married to Miss S. Judah at the Ohel Leah Synagogue, Hongkong.

At a meeting of the Hongkong Chinese Commercial Union, it was decided to petition the Secretary of State against the proposed legislation to make spitting in public places a punishable offence.

Colonel W. G. Bedford was appointed Administrative Medical Officer in Hongkong.

Mr. P. de Champmorin was appointed Hongkong Agent of the Messageries Maritimes.

There were over 300 guests at the Police Ball, held at the City Hall on Christmas Eve.

The driver of a motor bus was fined \$30 by Mr. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning for driving a vehicle which did not have two independent and efficient brakes. It was stated that both brakes, on being tested, were found to be useless.

Two Chinese, who were arrested carrying fifteen ducks in a crate which was too small for the purpose, were each fined \$5 by Mr. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning when charged with causing avoidable cruelty by overcrowding.

**ESTATE EXCEEDS  
\$2,000,000.****DEATH DUTIES TOTAL MORE  
THAN \$180,000.****LOCAL CHINESE WILL.**

Malaria fever caused the death, at the age of 32 years, of Choy Man-cheung, otherwise Choy Cheung (or Cheong) otherwise Choy Yau-hang, otherwise Choy Kwong-yam, late of Nos. 57 and 59 Wyndham Street, whose local estate amounts to \$2,854,209, the major portion of which is bequeathed to the widow and four sons. Probate has been granted to Choy Tong-shi (widow).

The will, which was signed by testator on June 6, one day before his death, is as follows:—"I will for 100 years to come, I, Choy Yau-hang, am the maker of this will. After deducting from my personal and real estate situate in Hongkong or elsewhere, the sum of \$15,000 is to be paid to each of my daughters, Choy Wing-yuen, Choy Wing-lun, Choy Wing-kin, Choy Wing-yin and Choy Wing-lu for dowry, and the residue of my estate shall be given to my wife, Choy Tong-shi, and my sons, Choy Wai-huen, Choy Wai-shuen and Choy Mai-lau, for their enjoyment. I appoint my wife Choy Tong-shi to be my executrix. These are my injunctions."

Estate duty, which has been charged at the rate of seven and a half per cent., amounts to \$180,600.85.

**AMERICAN STOCKS.****CABLED QUOTATIONS FROM  
NEW YORK.**

The following quotations as at the close of the market on Thursday have been received from their correspondents Messrs. Hayden, Stone and Co., of New York, by Messrs. Swan, Culbertson and Fritz, Sassoon House, Shanghai, (cable address: "Swanstock," Shanghai), who are not responsible for cable mutilations.

	Previous	Latest
Anacosta Copper	71	74
Baltimore and Ohio	114	116
Bethlehem Steel	89	92
Chrysler Corp. (Common)	34	37
Eric Rly Co.	57	58
General Motors	40	51
General Rly. Signal	82	88
Goodyear Tyre and Rubber	35	35
Granby Consolidated	50	52
International Cement (Common)	56	56
Liggett and Myers "B"	93	95
Miners Pacific (Common)	87	88
Nevada Consolidated Copper	29	30
Radio Corporation of America (Common)	36	Missing
Standard Oil Co. of New Jersey	62	64
Standard Oil Co. of New York	32	33
Southern Pacific	120	120
Texas Corporation	54	55
United States Steel	140	146
Sears, Roebuck & Co.	94	92

The mistress and master of two passengers boats were fined \$3 each at the Marine Court, before Mr. T.W.H. Hosegood this morning, for mooring their boats in Causeway Bay without a permit.

The Dunlop Rubber Company have issued their usual attractive calendar. This year's subject is York Minster and Bootham Bar, by E. E. Turner, and the picture is most artistically reproduced.

**LETTER BOX THIEF  
CAUGHT.****CHRISTMAS CARDS AMONG  
THE "HAUL."****CURIOUS METHODS.**

At the Kowloon Magistracy this morning a Chinese appeared on charges of stealing letters from boxes at three different houses.

From the letter box of 107, Woosung Street, the defendant was alleged to have stolen a letter, while he was accused of having stolen two Christmas cards and a letter belonging to the Misses D. and M. Leong of 21, Shanghai Street. In the third instance he was stated to have taken a letter from 395, Reclamation Street.

Detective Sergeant Fitches intimated that, in respect of the first charge, the defendant was alleged to have gone to the house and presented a letter purporting to have been sent by the complainant's mother from the country. The defendant stated that he was a travelling trader and had been asked to deliver the letter. He asked for 25 cents as expenses.

There was no stamp on the envelope while the writing did not not seem genuine. The complainant requested the defendant to call again to see her brother. On Christmas Day the defendant returned to the houses and later was confronted with the brother who doubted the defendant's representations. The brother then noticed that there were several letters in the defendant's pocket and became suspicious. With the assistance of a pedestrian the defendant was taken to the Police Station.

The other charges continued the prosecuting officer, were a result of the discovery of the other letters on the defendant's person.

Returning to the third charge, Detective Sergeant Fitches said that the complainant had told the Police that he was expecting \$25 to be remitted by a friend. On the defendant was only the envelope, the letter itself having been destroyed.

It was explained that the defendant usually stole the letters and opened them. After adding a brief message that the bearer was to be paid delivery expenses he used a new envelope.

His Worship remarked that he would have to severely punish the defendant for the offence and imposed sentence of two months' hard labour on each charge.

**STOLE CALCULATING  
MACHINE.****TRAM COMPANY EMPLOYEE  
SENTENCED.**

Denying that he had stolen a calculating machine, valued \$838, from the Hongkong Tramway Company, but admitting that he had received it from another person, Lai Tung, an employee of the Company, was this morning sentenced to three months' imprisonment by Mr. Hamilton.

The Magistrate first inflicted a sentence of four months, but later reduced this, on account of the fact that the man had admitted the alternative charge.

The Secretary of the Tramway Company said the machine was stolen from the general office on the night of December 16. The office was open.

It was stated that the man had been employed by the Company for three years and his father also worked for them.

The defendant put in a plea of guilty to receiving the machine and this the police accepted, the first charge of larceny being withdrawn.

**KOWLOON DOCK  
THEFT.****STONE-BREAKER GETS A  
PRISON SENTENCE.**

Two pieces of white brass, valued at \$67.20, each were alleged to have been stolen from the Kowloon Docks by a stone-breaker who was engaged under Messrs. Lam Woo, contractors in blasting work in the yard. The man was arrested in Kowloon City Road with the metal concealed under a quantity of tools which were being carried in a basket.

On enquiries being made at the Dock, it was revealed that the man secretly smuggled the brass out of the yard. He was accordingly taken before Mr. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning and sentenced to six weeks' hard labour, his Worship remarking that in view of the value of the metal he would have to make the penalty severe.

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## THE WORLD OF SPORT

### BIG BOUT FOR NEXT TOURNAMENT.

CREIGHTON TO FIGHT EWIN FOR TITLE.

CHALLENGE TAKEN UP

[By "Wanderer."]

It is disclosed to-day, for the first time, that articles have been signed between Able Seaman Ewin, of H.M.S. Hermes, and A. B. Jack Creighton, the welterweight champion of the Colony, for a fifteen rounds contest to take place on January 4th, for the middleweight championship of the Colony.

It will be recalled that Ewin recently issued a challenge to Creighton, and that Creighton signified his willingness to meet the heavier man ("If he weighs a ton").



A. B. Ewin.

Creighton and Ewin are two of the best men at their weight ever seen in the Far East. Ewin's capabilities are rather better known than those of Creighton. Ewin has not been beaten for over two years, and indeed, it has been difficult to find opponents for him.

Creighton gave a very impressive display in the last tournament of the Hongkong Boxing Association, though the opposition was not too good. It can be said with safety that he has never been seen really fighting in this Colony, though it is certain that he will be extended to the full when he meets Ewin. Creighton is strongly fancied in some quarters to beat Ewin, the opinion being based upon his brilliant performance in fighting Joe Hall, the former coloured champion, to a draw.



A. B. Creighton.

Personally, I rather favour Ewin's prospects, though it is fairly certain that the bout will be, in common parlance, a humdrum. Another attractive contest will be between A. B. Nobby Hall and A. B. Sacker, of the Hermes.

### SCOTLAND BEAT ENGLAND.

INTERNATIONAL CHARITY CUP SURPRISE.

BREAKAWAY GOALS.

[By "Wanderer."]

Scotland 2 England 1

While giving Scotland all due credit for magnificent defensive work which kept the England attackers at bay for eighty-five minutes of the International Charity Cup semi-final yesterday, they must be adjudged very lucky to win. Valentine opened the scoring within a minute of the start from a breakaway on the right. Scotland spent seventy per cent. of the remainder of the game on the defensive, and after England appeared to have turned defeat into a draw by scoring through Van Tromp, five minutes from the end, Alexander broke through on the right and scored a great goal in the last minute.

The winning goal was decidedly on the lucky side. A hefty well-placed clearance by McGregor left Alexander with a fine opening and he cut in cleverly with Jones at his heels. Jarvis made the fatal mistake of going out to meet the Scottish outside-right and beaten in the race for the ball, received a nasty kick in the face in diving for it.

A Cramped Game.

I am inclined to the view that England defeated themselves by crowding on too much sail in the second half. It seems a rather strange statement, but if they had slackened off occasionally, afforded the Scottish defence more relief than was given by the efforts of the Scottish forwards, and had given themselves a chance of keeping the game open, more scoring chances would have arisen.

As it was, Scotland packed their goal in masterly fashion, McGregor and McKelvie being adepts at this type of game, and England's forwards were always cramped for room.

The half-backs spent long periods within shooting range of the Scottish goal and some of the finest shots in the whole match were put in by Hedley.

When Van Tromp did get through it was merely because the Scottish defence had opened out as the result of a raid by Alexander. His shot was a poor one compared with many that had been saved by Rodger previously, but on this occasion the goalkeeper, who played a brilliant game, displaying remarkable anticipation, was unaided by Gardiner.

England Rather Unlucky.

On paper, England's team was good enough to win easily, and if the match was played over again, fancy the result would be reversed. England had no share of the good luck that was going, though they had the chances. The principal difficulty was the weakness on the left wing. Gould was brought in at the last minute for Bewley-Bull and he failed to settle down, indeed spoiling numerous excellent movements by over-keenness.

Incidentally, of course, he often found himself in opposition to McGregor, the finest back on the field. McGregor did not put a foot wrong the whole game, and his clearances were models of accuracy, invariably perfect passes along the wing to Alexander. Even in a tight corner, he kicked with purpose. Gardiner gave him excellent support. McKelvie was the best of the half-backs, a very hard-working line, and Gear and Torrie gave him splendid support.

The Scottish forwards were weak on the whole, principally through poor ball control. They were energetic, however, and caused trouble when they broke away through sheer persistence.

England were excellently served in defence, and they did not deserve to lose two goals. The half-backs got a strong grip on the game in the second half and only long punts enabled the opposition to get away.

The Van Tromp and Firth partnership was the strong point of the attack, and Goldman did his best to finish off their work. He played one of his best games for some time, distributing the ball cleverly, and shooting well when

### RUGBY FOOTBALL.

CLUB MEETS THE NAVY TO-MORROW.

The first of the matches in the triangular tournament will be played to-morrow at Happy Valley when the Club meet the Navy.

Taking a line from the Club v Cornwall match, the Navy appear to have a good chance of winning. They are being represented by a very strong side, built round a nucleus of the Cornwall team, of whom no less than nine have been chosen.

The Club, on the other hand, will not have such a strong side as last week. Scott and Riddell are unable to turn out, and Ross is still unfit which necessitates a reshuffling of the outsiders.

The Club's side is as follows: R. J. Grieve; L. Goldman, G. P. Lammert, J. D. H. Hutchison, H. V. Koop; G. A. Plummer, J. L. Bonnar; D. A. Milne-Day, A. D. Sutcliffe, W. F. Peera, F. R. Burch, E. R. West, B. P. Massey, J. A. B. Kendrew, B. L. Stock, Referee, Capt. Denkin. Kick-off 4.15 p.m.

he had the chance.

### TO-MORROW'S FOOTBALL.

The league fixtures for to-morrow are appended:

Senior Division.

South China v. Navy—Caroline Hill, 4 p.m.

Recreio v. St. Joseph's—Recreio, 4 p.m.

Kowloon v. Chinese Ath.—Kowloon, 4 p.m.

Police v. Club—St. Joseph's, 4 p.m.

R.A. v. K.O.S.B.—Sookunpoo, 4 p.m.

Junior Division.

Eastern v. Ewo—Chinese, H.V., 2.30.

Recreio v. S. China "B"—Recreio, 2.30.

Club v. University—Club, 2.30.

St. Joseph's v. Chinese "A"—St. Joseph's, 2.30.

R.A. v. S. China "A"—Sookunpoo, 2.30.

Kowloon v. K.O.S.B.—Kowloon, 2.30.

The programme contains two very attractive matches, one at Caroline Hill and the other at Kowloon, the two Chinese teams providing the opposition to the Navy and Kowloon.

Kowloon have the most difficult task, opposing the Athletic, but radical changes have been made in the forward line and it is hoped that these will prove effective.

The Navy should beat South China, the Club should just manage it against the Police, while the Recreio look likely winners against St. Joseph's.

Possible teams include: Kowloon:—Angus, Gillett, Pile, Hedley, Dowman, Blist, T. Pile, Miles, McKelvie, Cones and Eastman.

Club:—Rodger, Wallington, Bishop, Gilchrist, Stewart, Watson; Alexander, Jackson, Reid, J. M. Wilson and Trambitsky.

Club Reserves:—Sterling, Sloan; Potouloff; Panchon, Railton, Hynes, Bell, Dinnen, Jackson, Thompson, Smith.

### KOWLOON FORGED NOTE CASE.

CHINESE SENTENCED TO FIVE MONTHS.

Following a conviction in the case of a Chinese who was charged with being in possession of three forged \$100 Hongkong and Shanghai Bank notes, Mr. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court this morning sentenced the defendant to five months' hard labour.

"The defendant was arrested in Portland Street on information received and, when searched, the notes were found concealed up the sleeves of a tight fitting singlet. It was discovered that on his person he had a wallet but it contained only a few small coins.

Mr. Cheng Hing-wing, sheriff of the Kowloon Magistrate's Court, was called to give evidence of the notes being forgeries. Witness pointed out certain faults in the printing and general appearance of the notes.

The defendant, not being able to give a satisfactory explanation as to why he had carried the notes secreted up his sleeve, was convicted and, as stated, sentenced to five months' hard labour. His Worship remarked that \$300 was a lot of money and if the defendant had not been arrested people would have been defrauded to that amount.

### COOL THEFT.

CHINESE STEALS OVER A HUNDRED POLES.

On a charge of larceny of 140 bamboo poles from a building under construction at the junction of Jordan and Canton Roads, a Chinese was sentenced to six weeks' hard labour by Mr. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court this morning.

It was stated that the defendant, under the pretext that he had received instructions from the contractor, took the poles away in a truck. During the course of the day some 600 or 700 poles were stolen from the premises.

### WISHES EXCHANGED.

BROADCAST RELAYS BY U.S. AND BRITAIN.

London, Dec. 25.

Broadcast Christmas greetings were exchanged between Britain and the United States when the afternoon programme of dance music and songs was relayed by the British Broadcasting Corporation from Schenectady, near New York. In the evening the National Broadcasting Company of America relayed part of the programme from 2LO. Both relays were highly successful.

The American programme was also relayed in Holland, Christmas wishes being announced in both English and Dutch.—Reuter.

### FANLING GOLF.

STARTING TIMES FOR SUNDAY.

9.24 a.m.—H. H. Lennox and E. D. Lawrence.  
9.28 a.m.—R. E. Coxon and R. Young.  
9.32 a.m.—J. Ralston and S. Berg.  
9.36 a.m.—H. Hampton and W. S. Hillier.  
9.40 a.m.—B. Petheram and J. Jones.  
9.44 a.m.—J. P. Warren and R. E. Valentine.  
9.48 a.m.—E. Lewis and S. S. Perry.  
9.52 a.m.—F. M. Ellis and S. J. H. Fox.  
9.56 a.m.—A. Percy and J. Gardner.  
10.00 a.m.—P. Morrison and W. A. Butterfield.  
10.04 a.m.—E. P. Fletcher and E. D. Matthews.  
10.08 a.m.—C. Shank and B. J. Lacon.  
10.12 a.m.—I. H. Geare and C. Mycock.  
10.16 a.m.—A. C. I. Bowker and A. H. Penn.  
10.20 a.m.—G. B. S. Thomson and D. S. Edward.  
10.24 a.m.—S. T. Butlin and W. J. S. Key.  
10.28 a.m.—A. G. Coppin and D. Ellis.  
10.32 a.m.—W. G. Lorimer and J. Harrop.  
10.36 a.m.—A. Anderson and A. B. Purves.  
10.40 a.m.—A. O. Brown and E. des Voeux.  
10.44 a.m.—T. Grant and M. Liddell.  
10.48 a.m.—E. Grimble and V. M. Grayburn.  
10.52 a.m.—J. R. Hinton and J. R. Collis.  
10.56 a.m.—A. E. Lissaman and L. H. Andrews.  
11.00 a.m.—J. Forbes and C. E. Moore.  
11.04 a.m.—W. B. Cornaby and R. A. Campbell.  
11.08 a.m.—O. Eager and W. J. Roberts.  
11.12 a.m.—J. Coulthart and G. E. Ellams.

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## CHAPTER XXVII.

The words themselves which Bonnie Dundee's narrowed eyes conveyed with such intense speculation conveyed no information not already in his possession—"Henry Dowd, Des Moines, Iowa, June 22." It was the manner in which the line was written in the Rhodes House guest register which caused the young detective's heart to beat fast with excitement. For the words were printed, not written in the usual sense of the word. Each letter stood alone, as unshapely and clumsy as the first attempts at printing of a child who has not yet been introduced to the art of handwriting.

In college Dundee had known two men who used the printing type of handwriting, but in both cases it was almost as perfect as if the letters had been cast in metal, and yet so distinctive that a forger would have found it a hard task to imitate it. Nothing at all like this sprawly, childish "printing."

"Mr. Henry Dowd screens his face from the newspaper camera, so that his likeness cannot be published. Mr. Henry Dowd disguises his handwriting. Mr. Henry Dowd occupies the room next door to Mrs. Hogarth. Sally Graves is murdered in New York on June 2. On June 22 Mr. Henry Dowd comes to board at the Hogarth House. On June 29 Mrs. Emma Hogarth is murdered. Dundee mused, telling the points of off on the fingers and thumb of his left hand. "Ergo, I think Mr. Henry Dowd is asking for my earliest consideration."

He closed the register, placed it in a drawer of his chiffonier, pocketed the key, and was about to leave the room when a sudden thought occurred to him. From his coat pocket he drew the little cheap blue-lined tablet which had belonged to the murdered woman and upon which he had written in shorthand the stories of the inmates of the house as they had been told to Lieutenant Strawn. Turning the pages quickly he found what he was looking for—a vital part of Henry Dowd's story:

Q. (Strawn)—By the way, Dowd, where did you come from?

A.—Des Moines, Iowa. I represented a small manufacturing concern, known as The Housewife's Friend Corporation. They made up a little kit of kitchen tools, including an implement that could pare potatoes and apples and cut them in fancy shapes.

Q.—Where are they located?

A.—Nowhere, now. The company failed, and I was out of work several weeks, then I came to Hamilton, because I'd heard times were good here.

Dundee slapped the tablet exultantly. "Clever. Mr. Henry Dowd! Out of work several weeks, were you? And where did you spend those several weeks? In Des Moines, or—New York City?"

He was again on the point of leaving the room when the telephone rang. Eagerly he snatched the receiver from the hook. "Dundee speaking."

"Sergeant Turner, Dundee. A couple of wires for you, received within five minutes of each other. Shall I read them to you or send them by messenger?"

"Read them, please. Just a minute till I get a pencil. All right!"

"This one is from the Des Moines police department," Turner told him. "Ready?—Receiver for Housewife's Friend Corporation says no such name as Henry Dowd appears on company's books as salesman or other employee. Dowd also unknown at No.—Mondamin Avenue. Got that?"

"Yes!" and Dundee's voice rang with triumph. "What's the other wire, Sergeant? I'm ready!"

"From Philadelphia," Turner answered. "Here goes:—Herbert S. Magnus employee of Acme Paper Company as bookkeeper from May 1, 1928 to June 4, 1929. Recommendations excellent. Resigned as of June 1, but worked Monday and Tuesday, June 3 and 4 to turn over books to new bookkeeper. Purchased ticket and berth for Hamilton June 4, leaving on 4:20 train. Roomed in private home, No.—Spruce Street. Landlady, Mrs. Christine Starrett, not at home Sunday, June 2 until late afternoon, having spent Saturday and Sunday in Atlantic City, but Magnus had supper with family and bed had been slept in Saturday night. Got it?"

"Every word," Dundee answered. "Thanks, Sergeant."

"Wait a minute!" Sergeant Turner protested at the finality in the young detective's voice. "Since Strawn's out of town, and you're on the job incognito, don't you want me to grill this Dowd bird for you? He sounds mighty fishy to me."

"Not just yet, thanks. I don't want to make any move until I get Strawn's description of Griffin, but I'd appreciate it if you'd detail

a plainclothes man to keep an eye on Dowd. He's out of the house most of the day, looking for work—or so he says. If he makes any move to leave town, of course I'll take you up on your offer to give him the works."

"Suit yourself," Sergeant Turner answered stiffly, as he hung up the receiver.

"I don't believe I'm very popular with Sergeant Turner," Dundee mused ruefully. "Not that I blame him—having to take orders from a cub detective."

For a long minute he stared at the telegrams, then returned the precious tablet to his pocket.

"I'm afraid you're rather a clumsy liar, as well as a clumsy printer, Mr. Henry Dowd," he murmured almost regretfully, "and just now I was calling you clever. At any rate, you know your Des Moines, don't you? I'd like to have a look at the ledgers of the Housewife's Friend Corporation, for I have a hunch that you did honor that unfortunate concern with your humble services, even if the name of Henry Dowd does not appear on the payroll."

There was still another telegram which should arrive at any time now, but Dundee had no intention of fully awaiting it in his room. While talking with Sergeant Turner on the telephone he had heard a door across the hall open and close, and now he jerked his own door, crossed the hall and knocked. Tilda Brown, half-dressed and with a confusion of hair, opened to him, then blushed sufficed her broad, stolid face. She dropped the magazine and clutched at the open front of her cotton kimono.

"Oh!" she gasped. "I thought it was Mrs. Rhodes."

"I'm sorry I startled you, Tilda," Dundee smiled. "But I want your help, unless you're trying to take a nap. I had a private telephone installed today, as you probably know—and mustn't mention to anyone else—and I'd like you to listen and call me if it rings. I'll be either in the house or, on the grounds somewhere."

"I'll be awful glad to, Mr. Dundee," Tilda assured him eagerly. "You're a detective, ain't you, sir? I just been readin' about a detective that raided a poor, innocent girl's apartment and framed her so her husband could get a divorce and marry a blonde."

Dundee laughed. "I'm sure you don't think I'm that sort of person, Tilda. And you must not tell a soul just what kind of person you do think I am."

He left the chambermaid-waitress staring stupidly at the five-dollar bill he had tucked into her hand, and descended to the main floor, where he found Mrs. Rhodes in the large room behind the parlor—a pleasant chamber which served her as bedroom, private sitting room and office. She was seated at a handsome mahogany secretary, frowning over a sheet of bills.

"Why the heavy scowl, Mother Rhodes?" he asked lightly but sympathetically.

At the honorary title which her new boarder had bestowed upon her Mrs. Rhodes' dark eyes misted with tears. "Goodness knows I try to be a mother to my young people, but sometimes I think I'm nothing but an easy mark. Just look at this light bill! Women in a house are always smuggling in electric irons and curling tongs and fans. And on top of that, somebody's been trying to use a fan or something that's got too high a voltage or whatever you call it, because the fuses have burned out three times this last month. Running a boarding house is enough to try the patience of a saint."

"I'll try to find the culprit for you, Mother Rhodes," Dundee promised. "For I'm afraid it's my unpleasant duty to make another search of the boarders' rooms. I presume you have a passkey?"

Mrs. Rhodes drew her brows together. "Of course I have but—She sighed deeply, resignedly, then took the key from one of the drawers of the secretary. "I suppose, being a detective, you've got a right to go poking about as much as you please, but I do hope, Mr. Dundee, that you'll try to leave everything as you find it, so my boarders won't get on their high-horses and leave me flat. This is the only way I've got to make a living."

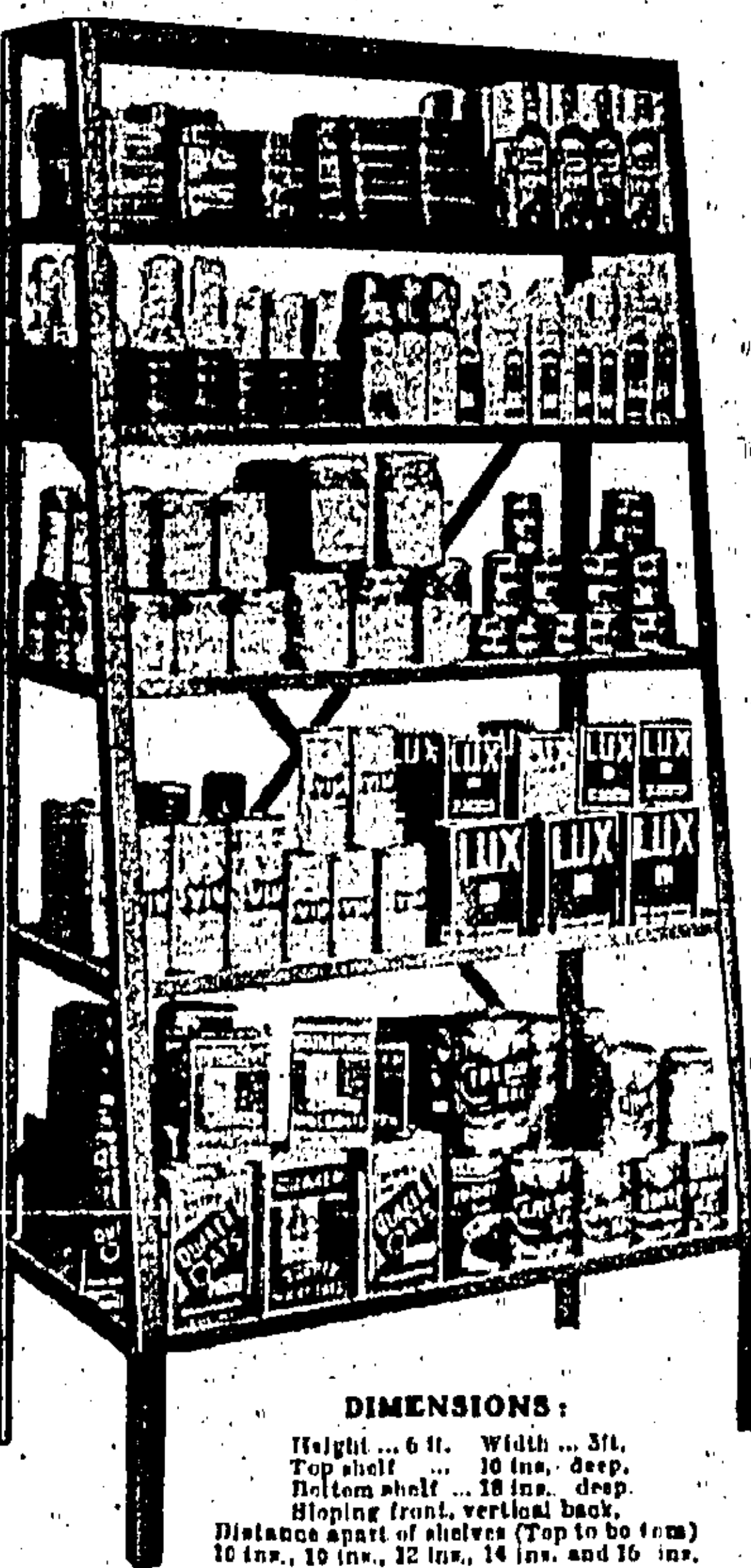
"I'll be very careful," Bonnie assured her gently. "I don't know what I'd do without your help. And now—one more thing. Can you tell me whether Emil Sevier was in Hamilton the week-end of June first and second?"

"He was right here every week-end after he came to board at my house early in May," Mrs. Rhodes said positively. "He was always grousing about having to work on Sundays. Friday was his day off at the theatre, and Tuesday is Cora's."

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first and second" Dundee persisted.

"An sure as I'm sitting here this minute," Mrs. Rhodes retorted. "And here's proof of it."

She reached into a pigeonhole of the desk and drew out a small notebook. "I always set down in this book the date each boarder pays me," she told him. "Let me find it—Here it is! E. Sevier—\$15—June 2. He usually paid on Sunday, instead of Saturday—when he paid at all. He owed me two weeks' board when I asked him for his room—the thiefing murderer!"

Dundee grinned. Emil Sevier was undoubtedly a very objectionable person and a defrauder of landlords, but unless he—Dundee—was very far off the right track, Emil Sevier was not a murderer.

"That's a handsome desk," he remarked admiringly, as Mrs. Rhodes returned the notebook to its place.

"It's the first new piece of furniture I've treated myself to in years," Mrs. Rhodes answered, her work-worn fingers caressing the satin wood. "I let Mr. Magnus have my old desk."

"Any secret drawers in it?" Dundee asked quickly.

Mrs. Dundee snorted. "Nuh! Now you're talking like a story-book detective! Get along with you now, and let me worry over these bills."

But, belying her brusqueness, her great dark eyes followed him fondly as he left the room, swinging the passkey on its loop of rolled twine. The first door he opened with it permitted him entrance into the room of Henry Dowd.

(To Be Continued.)

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to show any confidence in facing it.  
The fielding was keen and accurate,  
Bowker in particular, working hard.  
His picking up was clean, but he re-  
vealed a weakness in throwing-in and  
appeared to miss two distinct chances  
of throwing down the wicket through  
inaccuracy.

Moor enjoyed a good match by scor-  
ing 73 in splendid style. He hit well  
on both sides of the wicket and was  
rarely in trouble. Ten fours were the  
chief contributions to his total, which  
came as a result of skilful strokes to  
leg and through the covers. He and  
Mitchell added no less than 98 for the  
second wicket, and during that period,  
practically all the stings in the Army  
attack were drawn, and the later bat-  
men found run-getting quite a plea-  
sant and easy task.

Mitchell helped himself to 32, and  
"Tam" Pearce hit with little restraint  
for his 25. Owen Hughes followed  
with a couple of dozens, all made in  
his best style, and although after this  
the Army attack enjoyed the satisfac-  
tion of getting on top for the first  
time, the Club score reached the re-  
spectable total of 214.

The visitors introduced quite a  
variety into their attack, but apart  
from Fry, it was pretty straightfor-  
ward stuff, the ball invariably coming  
off the wicket at the uniform height  
and pace, and scarcely ever really  
troubled the batsmen. Credit must be  
given to Fry, however, for his fine  
work. He alone made the batsmen  
watch the ball right through, and his  
figures speak for themselves. He  
only sent down 9 overs, six of which  
were maidens, and he conceded only  
46 runs in obtaining 5 wickets. Col.  
Wyatt proved rather expensive, and  
the Club made merry with his de-  
liveries, whilst Capt. Reynolds, Leach,  
Lieut. Christian and Waring rarely  
caused the batsmen serious worry.

## The Army's Innings.

It was a different story to tell when  
the Army confronted Bowker, Reid  
and Beck. The former was especially  
effective on the hard and fast wicket,  
and the visitors experienced great  
difficulty in timing his off-swinging  
deliveries which gathered a lot of  
pace off the ground. He always had  
the batsmen fully on the defensive  
and he well deserved his analysis of  
6 wickets for 32 runs. A. C. Beck  
also sent down a very useful medium  
paced ball, with just a suspicion of  
break, and against these two the  
Army had anything but an enjoyable  
afternoon.

Allowing for the keenness of the  
attack, however, it cannot be said  
that the visitors revealed much enter-  
prise at the wicket. There was little  
attempt at definite strokes, and even  
Col. Wyatt made the majority of his  
runs behind the stumps. He certainly  
stepped out to the slow deliveries  
of the Rev. Quick, but his timing was  
faulty. None the less, he played a  
gallant innings, and saved the Army  
from almost complete rout. He de-  
fended cleverly and watched the ball  
all the way to the bat.  
The Army made a disappointing  
start, the first wicket falling with only  
ten on the board, and they could  
never recover from this. Capt. Rey-  
nolds succeeded in gathering a dozen,  
but his was rather an uncomfortable  
innings, and one was not surprised  
when Owen Hughes brought it to a  
finish with an easy catch in the slips.  
Lieut. Musson and Lieut. Maxwell  
both failed, Bowker proving their  
masters. After the dismissal of Col.  
Wyatt, it was merely a case of how  
long it would take Hongkong to finish

off the innings. Actually it came to  
a close a few minutes after five, the  
Army being all out for 108 and the  
Club winning by 106 runs.

Scores:

Hongkong C.C.	
Moor, run out	73
H. J. Armstrong, b Wyatt	5
E. J. R. Mitchell, st. Crake, b Fry	32
T. E. Pearce, lb.w. Crake, b Fry	21
H. Owen Hughes, run out	24
H. V. Parker, b Fry	14
Rev. E. K. Quick, b Reynolds	0
Hinton, c Crake, b Reynolds	3
Divott, b Fry	1
A. Reid, b Fry	1
A. C. I. Bowker, c Reynolds, b Fry	10
A. C. Beck, not out	11
Extras	14
Total	214

Bowling Analysis.	
O.	M.
Col. Wyatt	14
Fry	9
Capt. Reynolds	14
S. M. Leach	4
Lieut. Christian	6
Lieut. M. Waring	4
Total	108

The Army.	
Major R. H. Crake, b Beck	10
Lieut. M. Waring, b Bowker	4
Capt. J. R. Reynolds, c Owen	12
Hughes, b Beck	0
Lieut. A. R. Musson, c Owen	0
Hughes, b Bowker	2
Lieut. W. A. H. Maxwell, b	0
Bowker	2
Lieut. Col. F. J. Wyatt, c Pearce,	26
b Bowker	0
B. S. M. Leach, b Reid	2
L/Cpl. Everest, run out	11
Cpl. Davis, b Bowker	1
Lieut. G. Wolfe-Barry, c Pearce,	7
b Beck	1
Lieut. C. G. Christian, b Bowker	1
Pte. Fry, not out	13
Extras	7
Total	108

Bowling Analysis.	
O.	M.
A. C. I. Bowker	13
A. C. Beck	9
A. Reid	6
H. V. Parker	5
Rev. E. K. Quick	5
Total	108

## Craigengower Match.

On the Craigengower ground the  
married members played a team of  
bachelors and lost by nearly a hundred  
runs. The single men batted first and  
ran up the huge score of 106 runs.  
A. B. Hamson, retiring after passing  
the half-century mark, Abbas knock-  
ed out 31 before being caught. The  
bachelors, playing twelve men, col-  
lapsed and only made 103 runs.

Scores:

Bachelors.	
H. P. Lim, c Bradbury, b Oliver	4
R. C. Hoed, b Oliver	19
S. Abbas, c Abbas, b Omar	31
A. B. Hamson, retired	50
J. Champion, b Abbas	14
C. E. Wong, run out	5
E. B. Hamson, b Omar	4
G. Lia, c Oliver, b Abbas	6
R. Lee, not out	22
E. Zimmermann, b Abbas	9
J. W. Leonard, lb.w. Abbas	12
Extras	14
Total	196

Bowling Analysis.	
O.	M.
Omar	15
Oliver	7
Sourbutts	7
Gill	3
Way	2
Abbas	7
Total	58

## Married Men.

U. M. Omar, c Champion, b Lee	0
V. Gill, c Leonard, b Abbas	4
Y. Abbas, c Lia, b Abbas	8
W. K. Way, c Leonard, b Lee	5
A. Kitchell, b Champion	6
B. W. Bradbury, c Lia, b Cham- pion	6
F. Oliver, b Hamson	23
Total	227

R. Sourbutts, c A. B. Hamson, b Champion	6
H. K. Zimmermann, b Champion	0
E. McBride, not out	4
S. A. Cassamboy, b Lim	23
J. Ribeiro, b Leonard	4
Extras	10
Total	103

Bowling Analysis.	
O.	M.
Lee	4
Abbas	8
Champion	8
A. B. Hamson	2
Leonard	2
Reed	2
Wong	1
Lim	1
Total	7

## K.C.C. v NAVY.

Kowloon Team in Good  
Form Yesterday.

The whole-day game between the  
Kowloon Cricket Club and the Royal  
Navy, played on the former's ground  
yesterday, ended in a victory for the  
home team by six wickets in the first  
innings.

Batting first, the Navy could do  
nothing against the bowling of Good-  
win, who captured seven wickets for  
23 runs. Squadron Leader Boun-  
phrey was top scorer with 32 and Lt.  
Stephenson was the only other man to  
reach double figures.

By consistent batting, the K.C.C.  
replied with 227. E. F. Fincher retir-  
ing with 54 to his credit. G. A. V.  
Hall hit out to good effect for 49,  
whilst E. C. Fincher contributed 43.  
Commandr. Baker was the most suc-  
cessful run-der for the Navy, his  
three wickets costing 59 runs.

Squadron Leader Bounphrey took  
three wickets for 74, and Lt. Bennett  
two for 41.

## Royal Navy—1st Innings.

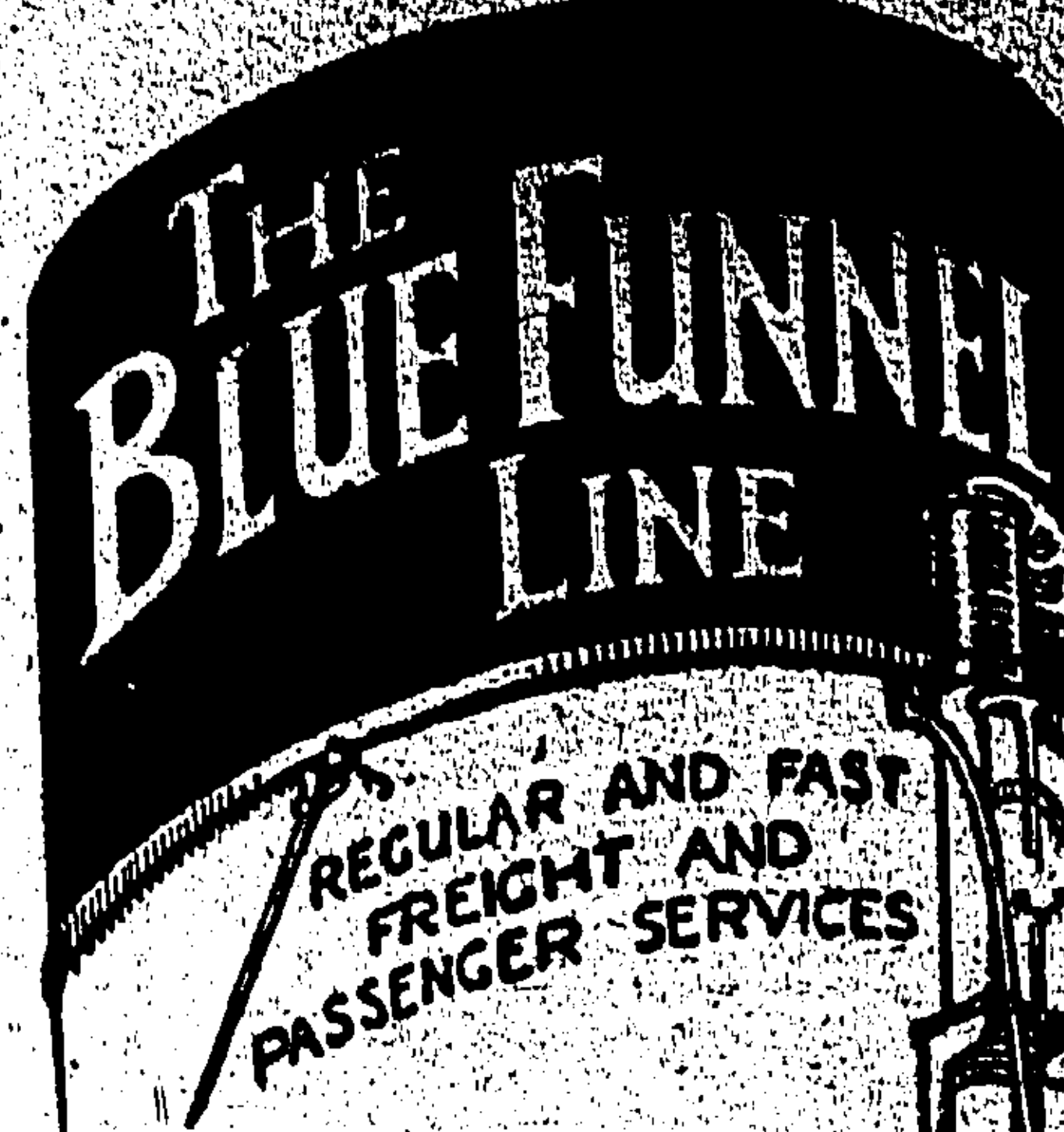
Lieut. J. P. Wright, c Hall, b Ross	0
Marine Truster, lb.w. Goodwin	0
Lt. F. M. R. Stephenson, b Good- win	16
Sq. Ldr. C. Bounphrey, c Ramsay, b Brace	32
Commr. E. G. Stanley, b Good- win	0
Sub. Lieut. C. L. L. Glass, c Ram- say, b Lee	6
Lt. G. Cobb, b Goodwin	6
Stoker T. Cross, b Goodwin	0
Eng. Lieut. C. R. Bennett, lb.w. Goodwin	1
Goodwin	3
Lieut. Commr. E. W. Sim, b Goodwin	4
Commr. F. C. Baker, not out	10
Extras	10
Total	78

Bowling Analysis.	
O.	M.
F. Goodwin	19
Ross	6
Lee	8
Hung	3
Brace	3
Total	39

## Kowloon C.C.

E. C. Fincher, b Truster	42
W. C. Hung, lb.w. Bounphrey	3
A. W. Ramsay, b Bennett	12
P. E. Lawrence, c Stephenson, b Bennett	3
E. F. Fincher, retired	54
F. Goodwin, c Bennett, b Bounphrey	22
A. T. Lee, c Truster, b Baker	13
N. Mackay, c L. and Bounphrey	0
G. A. V. Hall, c Cross, b Baker	40
W. Brace, not out	19
N. H. Ross, c Stephenson, b Baker	6
Extras	3
Total	227

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## GARRISON NEWS.

## CHRISTMAS SEASON IN BARRACKS.

The advent of Christmas was the signal for a greatly increased amount of activity in Messes and other military organisations. Barrack-rooms, dining-halls and Messes have been gaily decorated with bunting and streamers for some days. In addition, Christmas Drums have been got up, the prizes ranging from the proverbial turkey, through bottles of spirits to such small gifts as a humble bag of nuts or a tin of cigarettes. A brave show was made by one Mess, which had all the prizes of the draw ranged on the billiard table, comprising bottles of spirits by the dozen, lucky tickets entitling the holder to purchase goods to a certain value at an approved business-house, together with numbers of bags of sweets and oranges—useful for providing the children with their share of the good things.

On Christmas Day, the spirit of Christmas reigned supreme, save for the hapless wight who had the misfortune to be warned for duty. Even they had their share of the fun, although they were not able to indulge in all the entertainment. For the Christmas dinners of the Junior Ranks, the Warrant Officers and Senior Non-Commissioned Officers carried out the usual Army custom of acting as waiters, and the tables, growing under the weight of decorations, plates of fruit and nuts, cigarettes and cigars presented a fine spectacle. Before the dinners were actually commenced, the men were visited by their Commanding and other Officers, who toasted the men and were duly cheered in return.

## In Hospital.

Nor were the soldiers who were unfortunate enough to be in Hospital on Wednesday forgotten. Contributions from Units for the purchase of Christmas delicacies had been made, and the staff of cooks at the Military Hospital were kept busy and put in an enormous amount of work in pre-

paration of the fare. Wards were decorated with streamers and the like, and other contributions by the Nursing Sisters added to the cheerfulness of the scene and the comfort of the patients. Some patients there are, of course, who are not sufficiently convalescent to take part in the festivities, but special extras were provided for them.

Servants' Messes had their Christmas dinner after serving the Junior Ranks, or had a dinner late in the evening. These were usually followed by an impromptu smoking-concert, to which all the talent of the Unit was collected.

## Navy Football.

In a China Fleet football league match at Happy Valley yesterday afternoon, Somme beat Cornflower by the odd goal in three. Teams:

Cornflower—Best, Little, New, Baum, Childs, Pawsen, Seppie, Adams, Baker, Williams, Bennett.

Somme—Tubbs, Bennett, Stoner, Dumford, Ryeroff, Cummings, Dussy, Ball, Ford, Thornton, Bertram.

Somme attacked in the first minutes, but put the ball past the post, and from the goal-keeper, Adams got away and opened the scoring for Cornflower.

The Cornflower goal underwent an anxious time for some minutes, Somme keeping up attacks with plenty of vigour. The goal that aquired came at last when Ball shot from fully forty yards, New deflecting into his own goal out of the reach of Best. Cornflower took up the attack again, and some useful work by the left wing got them near the Somme goal, and two unsuccessful corners were forced.

The Somme goal had a very narrow escape just after the interval, when Tubbs only partially cleared a shot from Baker, but Stoner came back to relieve.

End-to-end play was the order for most of the second half, until Ford got away and passed to Bertram, who found no real work in putting his side ahead, with Best out of position at the other end of the goal. Somme continued their attacks without adding to their score until the final whistle.

## BOXING DAY CRICKET.

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Bowling Analysis.				
	O.	M.	R.	W.
Baker	11.4	1	53	3
Bumphyrey	15	1	74	3
Bennett	10	1	41	2
Trusler	7	—	43	1
Glass	4	—	13	—

## Royal Navy—2nd Innings.

Bowling Analysis.				
	O.	M.	R.	W.
Bumphyrey, not out	12	—	—	—
Wright, c Lawrence, b Ross	10	—	—	—
Stephenson, ret'd.	50	—	—	—
Baker, l.b.w., b Ross	42	—	—	—
Glass, b Hall	13	—	—	—
Trusler, c Hall, b Ross	9	—	—	—
Cobb, c Lawrence, b Ross	9	—	—	—
Stanley, not out	2	—	—	—
Sim, b Hall	5	—	—	—
Extras	5	—	—	—

Total (for 8 wks.) 142

Bennett and Cross did not bat.

Bowling Analysis.				
	O.	M.	R.	W.
Ross	9	2	25	4
Fincher	8	1	33	—
Hung	3	1	11	—
Brace	4	1	16	—
Lee	3	—	10	—
Goodwin	3	—	20	—
Hall	2	—	12	2

## ELECTRIC CO. MATCH.

## European Staff Play Against Local Staff.

The European Staff of the Hongkong Electric Co. entertained the Local Staff in a friendly cricket match on the I. R. C. ground yesterday, and lost by 5 wickets. Scores:

European Staff.				
	O.	M.	R.	W.
J. R. Way, b A. R. Minu	5	—	—	—
S. J. Stanesby, c Ismail, b Minu	0	—	—	—
S. C. Banks, b Minu	20	—	—	—
J. C. Dunbar, b Ismail	4	—	—	—
G. T. Padgett, b M. I. Razack	4	—	—	—
H. S. Jones, b M. I. Razack	10	—	—	—
W. E. Peers, not out	10	—	—	—
A. W. Smith, c A. K. Minu, b A. R. Minu	9	—	—	—
S. J. Clark, c Rahumet, b M. I. Razack	5	—	—	—
G. C. Moss, c Hamet, b M. I. Razack	0	—	—	—
E. L. Groume, c and b A. R. Minu	20	—	—	—
Extras	4	—	—	—
Total	80	—	—	—

Bowling Analysis.				
	O.	M.	R.	W.
A. S. Ismail	6	2	20	1
A. R. Minu	10.2	4	18	5
M. I. Razack	6	—	10	4
A. K. Minu	2	—	8	—
T. Hamet	2	1	4	—
D. Mohamed	2	—	3	—

Local Staff.				
	O.	M.	R.	W.
D. Mohamed, run out	44	—	—	—
A. S. Ismail, c sub, b Way	20	—	—	—
A. K. Rahumet, c Peers, b Banks	0	—	—	—
M. I. Razack, c Padgett, b Jones	2	—	—	—
M. U. Razack, not out	24	—	—	—
T. Hamet, c and b Way	7	—	—	—
T. Ali, c Stanesby, b Padgett	13	—	—	—
Extras	2	—	—	—
Total (for 8 wks.)	111	—	—	—

A. K. Minu, A. R. Minu, A. M. Runjahn, and I. Hassan did not bat.

Bowling Analysis.				
	O.	M.	R.	W.
S. C. Banks	8	1	32	1
J. R. Way	10	—	48	2
H. S. Jones	4	—	19	1
G. T. Padgett	1	—	10	1

## Recreio v University.

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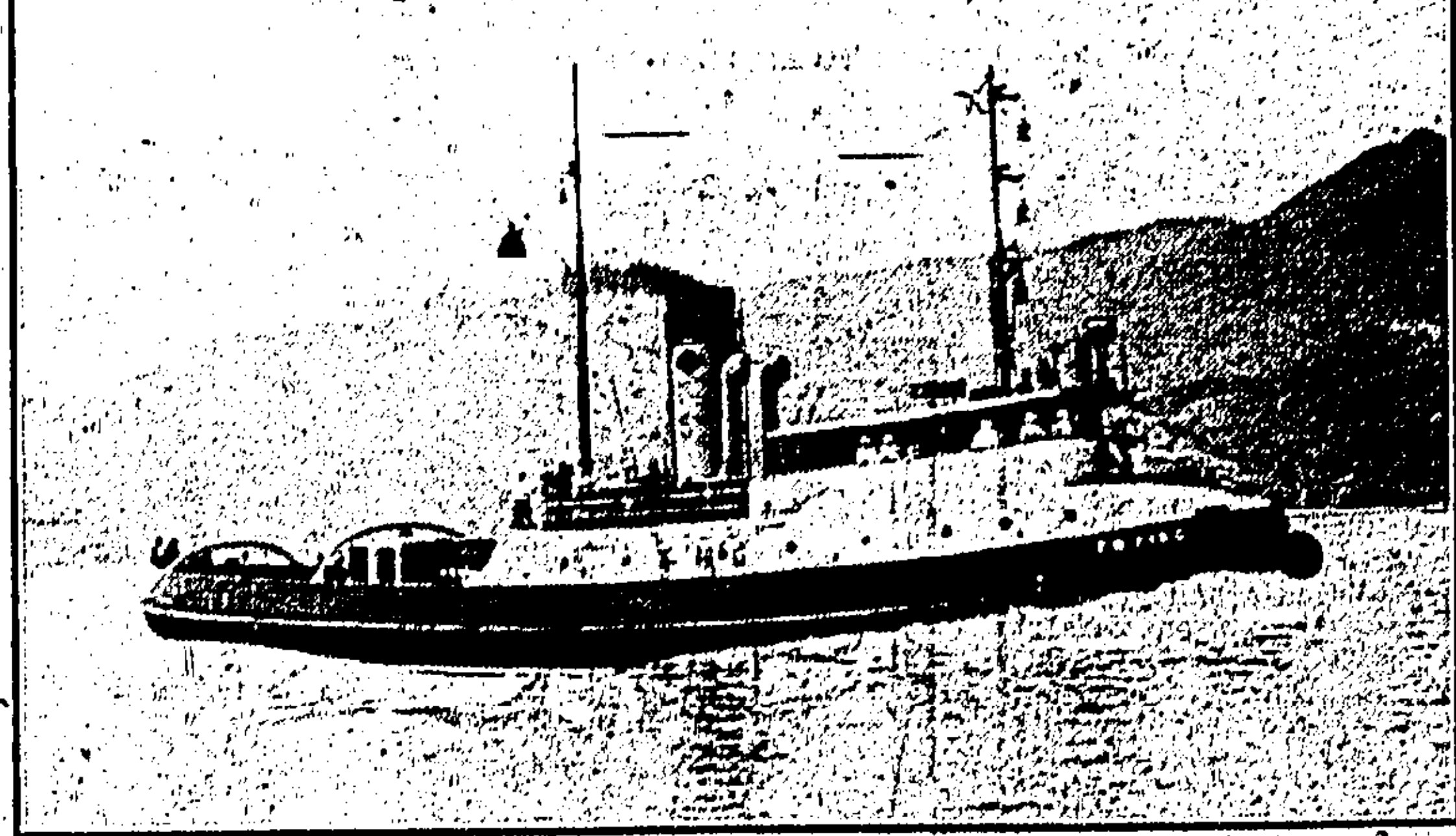
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Hongkong, 24th Dec. 1929.

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Per s.s. Tanga Maru, for Australia and ports, December 25.—Prof. Charles, Mr. Richard Robotti, Mr. L. Hogwood, Mr. C. Bandet, Mr. Lin Tau Yau, Mr. Jose Ho, Mr. Juan Ye King, Mr. Quirino de La Cruz, Mr. Lin Te, Mr. Chang Ching, Mr. Fung Young, Mr. Ah Young, Mrs. Ham Hee, Mr. Lee Kan, Mr. Yee Wei, Mr. Gan Sing Yee, Mr. Tan Lip Kee, Mr. Kim So Ly, Miss Scanlon, Mr. and Mrs. A. Soriano, Master I. M. Soriano, Master A. Soriano, Mr. E. Roxas, Mr. G. D. Davison, Madame J. M. Mouzel, Mr. Jose G. Villa, Rev. Victor Gonzalez, Rev. Felix de la Rosa, Mr. Elias de los Reyes, Mrs. Tanu Chuai Kul Kyi, Mr. F. B. Tavora, Mrs. M. Shone, Mr. S. Yamamoto, Mrs. K. Yamamoto, Mr. C. Yamamoto, Mr. K. Tomimori, Mrs. A. Tomimori, Miss S. Tamimori, Mrs. T. Kameyama, Mrs. T. Tamura, Mr. A. L. Sadler, Mr. T. N. M. Bueat, Mr. S. Omori, Master and Miss K. Omori, Mr. and Miss T. Hinokuma, Master K. Araki, Mr. A. Imooka, Mr. T. Purnkawa, Mr. Y. Purnkawa, Miss M. Seaton, Mrs. T. Mayeyama, Mrs. K. Kumamoto, Mr. G. Nakamura, Mr. H. Tanigawa, Mr. N. Okawa, Mrs. F. Ishizaki, Miss M. Ishizaki.



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TALMA	10,000	28th Jan.	S'pore, Penang & Calcutta
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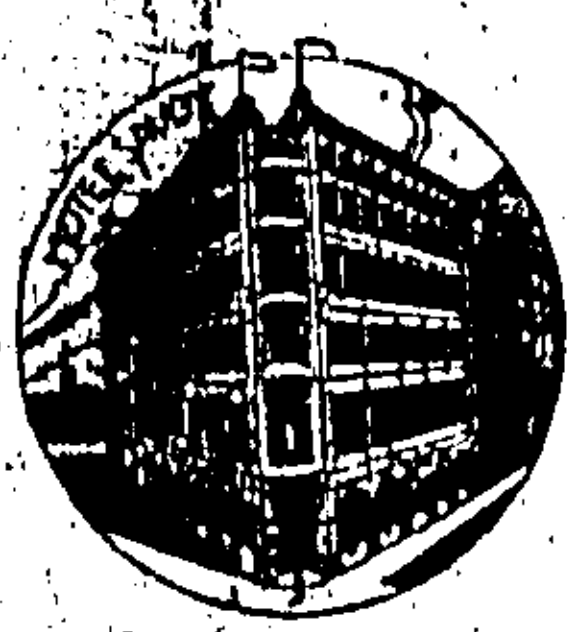
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## FRANCE ON NAVAL ISSUES.

NOT A STRIKINGLY HELPFUL  
ATTITUDE.

TONNAGE LIMITATION.

Paris, Dec. 26.

The French Government has ad-  
dressed a Memorandum to the Brit-  
ish Government on the subject of  
naval disarmament.

The French contention is that  
the reduction of armaments should  
be based on Clause Eight of the  
Covenant of the League of Nations  
which it declares offers the only  
basis for suitable preparation of  
an agreement, not involving a priori  
mathematical formula, acceptable  
to all Governments not to be re-  
presented at the London Confer-  
ence.

The Memorandum indicates a  
preference for limitation by ton-  
nage, but declares the readiness of  
the French Government to adhere  
to a compromise method, regulating  
the distribution of tonnage among  
the different classes of ships.

It is made clear once again that  
the interdependence of air, land  
and sea armaments is the funda-  
mental principle of French policy.

The French Government hopes  
that it will not be obliged to deal  
with questions relating to the fixing  
of land and air armaments, but it  
must point out that tonnage  
adequate to its naval requirements  
are closely related to the general  
level of armaments.

The note says that France is not  
averse to solutions enabling Powers  
so desirous of entering into definite  
mutual agreements, not awaiting  
the conclusion of all armaments.

It also emphasizes the importance  
that France should have warship  
tonnage adequate to her national  
needs from a geographical and  
colonial viewpoint.

Finally, France suggests that the  
Mediterranean Powers should have  
a mutual guarantee and non-agres-  
sion agreement, including the  
Powers not represented at the  
London Conference, especially  
Spain.—*Reuter.*

GETS OFF LIGHTLY.

POLICE SUSPICIOUS OF A  
"RUNNER."

Prosecuting a Chinese named  
Chan Wong-sui, who was described  
as a boarding-house runner, for  
boarding the s.s. Van Heutz on  
Christmas Day without the per-  
mission of the Master or the Officer  
on duty, Sgt. Galvin informed Mr.  
T. W. H. Hoggood at the Marine  
Court this morning that attention  
was drawn to the defendant by the  
fact that he was accused by a pas-  
senger of having "picked" the lat-  
ter's pockets.

On being searched, the defendant  
was found to have \$2.50 in his  
possession, the passenger claiming  
this sum to have been stolen from  
his pocket. In addition to this, a  
draft for \$110 was found on the de-  
fendant. This draft, continued Sgt.  
Galvin, was believed to have also  
been stolen.

The Police officer then produced  
a letter from the skipper of the Van  
Heutz corroborating the story  
Sgt. Galvin had just told the Court.  
Defendant was fined \$30 with the  
alternative of one month's hard  
labour.

A PECULIAR STORY.

MEN HIRED TO ASSAULT  
COMPATRIOT.

A peculiar story was related to  
Mr. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon  
Magistrate's Court this morning when  
Inspector Stimson prosecuted two  
Chinese on charges of assaulting a  
compatriot, necessitating his  
removal to Hospital for treatment  
of a nasty injury to his head,  
stated to have been caused by a  
hammer.

Inspector Stimson informed his  
Worship that two men made a re-  
port at the Kowloon Police  
Station of the alleged death of the  
brother of one of them. It was  
stated that the deceased man had  
been assaulted and succumbed to  
his injuries in Hospital.

The men were told to obtain a  
doctor's certificate of the man's  
death but instead, had apparently  
hired the two defendants to as-  
sault the alleged assailant (the  
complainant in the present case).  
The prosecution asked for a  
short remand, pending the com-  
plainant's discharge from Hospi-  
tal. The case was adjourned till  
next Thursday.

Among the latest naval appoint-  
ments is that of Commander H.  
Hickling to H. M. S. Kent (Dec.  
23rd), and Acting Mate E. W. Low-  
son to H. M. S. Cumberland.

## MISSING AIRMAN EXPLORER.

THREE CANADIAN PLANES  
TO JOIN SEARCH.

CAMERA EXPERIMENT.

New York, Dec. 26.

Three powerful cabin-  
planes and a number of experienced  
Canadian pilots have arrived at  
Seward, Alabama, in order to partici-  
pate in the search for Lieutenant  
Eielson, the Norwegian airman-  
explorer.

The planes will be reassembled at  
once and will fly either to Nome, the  
starting point of Lieut. Eielson's  
last flight, or to Teller. They will  
begin their search methodically, ar-  
rangements having been made  
whereby all the ground will be  
covered.

A special feature of the Canadian  
arrangements is that each of the  
planes will carry special cameras to  
record details of the areas flown  
over. It is considered highly prob-  
able that these cameras might  
be unnoticed by the human eye.

Lieut. Eielson was wrecked  
somewhere between Nome, Alaska,  
and a furship which is frozen in  
off the Siberian coast. He had  
made several journeys carrying sup-  
plies and crashed about mid-way  
between the two points a few days  
ago, since when nothing has been  
heard of him. The Soviet Govern-  
ment is also arranging to co-operate  
in the search.—*Reuter's American  
Service.*

HYGIENE LESSON  
IN COURT.

DUSTY RAKERS BEFORE  
MAGISTRATE.

Two individuals in tattered  
clothing and of frowzy appearance  
were brought before Mr. Grantham  
at the Central Police Court this  
morning, the case against them  
being that they raked up dustbins  
and thereby caused a nuisance.

Giving an elementary lesson in  
hygiene, the Magistrate carefully  
explained to the culprits that they  
had better leave dustbins alone, as  
disturbing the contents, germs  
might be released which would not  
only be a danger to themselves, but  
also to the community at large.

Having promised "not to do it  
again", the men were discharged.

THE I'M ALONE CASE  
REVIVED.

OWNED BY AMERICAN  
SYNDICATE?

New York, Dec. 26.

A federal grand jury to-day  
returned an indictment against  
Daniel Hogan charging him with  
being the head of a rum-running  
syndicate which "owned the rum-  
runner I'm Alone."

This was the first time such  
ownership had been revealed. The  
I'm Alone figured in a sensational  
engagement some months ago, when  
it was pursued and fired upon by a  
U. S. Government cutter. It had  
been understood that the I'm Alone  
was of Canadian ownership as it  
had Canadian registry.

Hogan will be tried in New Or-  
leans, as the I'm Alone affair took  
place in the Gulf of Mexico not far  
from New Orleans.

The annual dance given by the  
President of the Club will be held  
at the Craigengower Cricket Club  
on New Year's Eve.

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AT THE  
**QUEEN'S** TO-DAY & TO-MORROW  
At 2.30, 5.10, 7.15 & 9.20.

SHIP'S TERRIBLE  
EXPERIENCE.

(Continued from Page 1.)

what was happening. One male  
passenger was told of the position  
and warned to hold his peace. He  
did so and preparations were made  
in case of the worst happening.

The Wireless Fails.

Then the wireless failed. A short  
circuit had been caused through the  
fashing of the aerial against other  
objects.

The chief officer, Mr. Bray-  
brook, heroically went up the  
rigging and got to the mast where  
he made the necessary adjustments  
with the gale blowing at its height.

A message was sent to Chefoo to  
the effect that the ship was safely  
riding the seas, that repairs to the  
shaft had been carried out, and that

the ship would make for port. She  
was then somewhere near Port  
Arthur.

Further alarm was caused when  
it was observed that the union joint  
of the rudder was on its last  
threads. The emergency gear had  
been smashed by pounding seas and  
the danger was therefore acute.  
The Chief Officer ordered members  
of the crew to go down to make the  
necessary adjustment. They re-  
fused owing to the peril of the at-  
tempt and the Chief Officer went  
himself.

When the storm was at its worst  
a gramophone was taken into the  
saloon and a dance was carried on  
whilst officers told white lies to all.

They got to Chefoo after 132  
hours at sea—and moored in the  
harbour at 7 a.m. on Tuesday, the  
17th.

The ship left for Shanghai on the  
18th after an extensive examination  
had been made berthing at the

French Bunt.

The officers and engineers are as  
follows: Capt. Byrne is an  
Australian; the chief officer, Mr.  
Braybrook is an Englishman; the  
second officer, Mr. Worsley, was  
born in the Isle of Man—a Manx-  
man; the chief engineer, Mr. T. B.  
Fringle, is Scottish the second en-  
gineer, Mr. W. J. G. Jones, is from  
Wales; and the 3rd engineer, Mr.  
R. L. Sweet, comes from New Zea-  
land. A British Empire agree-  
ment.

On being assured of employment,  
a young Chinese, who was yester-  
day remanded by Mr. Whyte Smith  
at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court,  
this morning discharged with a  
caution. The defendant, it will  
be remembered, showed reluctance  
at being sent to the Police Boys'  
Club following his arrest for  
hawking newspapers without  
licence.

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DRAMA  
OF TENSE  
PASSIONS  
IN AFRICAN  
WASTES

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